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BROKEN UP?

NANKING PLENARY MEETING.

TROUBLE AT H. Q.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek Leaves For Shanghai.

BUT FENG STAYS; YEN'S WHEREABOUTS.

All is not well at Nanking. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has left for Shanghai where he is, according to latest advice, expected to stay a few days. Meanwhile the "Christian General" remains at Nanking and nothing further has been heard from another Nationalist chieftain, General Yen Hsi-shan.

The difficulty at present is the quorum. Some of those eligible to attend the Nanking conference are abroad. Others are persona non grata. Yet others bear the Communist taint. It is the last mentioned group which Chiang Kai-shek is desirous of acting as Parliamentary Whip to, in order to carry out the political programme which—it has been hoped—will establish a strong government in China.

NATIONALIST DIFFICULTIES.

Nanking, Yesterday.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has gone to Shanghai. It is expected that he will be absent from Nanking for two or three days.

On the other hand, it is reported that Feng Yu-hsiang (the "Christian General") is still in Nanking.—British Naval Wireless.

WHO'S WHO.

A list is given here of those qualified to attend the fifth plenary session of the Nationalist Party at Nanking.
Central Executive Committee of the Nationalist Party . . . 36
Reserve members of the Central Executive Committee who may be promoted to full membership in case of vacancy . . . 3
Central Supervisory Committee of the Nationalist Party . . . 12
Reserve members of the Central Supervisory Committee . . . 4



Mr. Chan Kung-poh, who has been deprived of membership for alleged extremism.

There are 55 in all, made up as follows:—

Some of the 55 are abroad. The list is given herewith.

Central Executive Committee: Wang Ching-wai, Tan Yen-kai, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, T. V. Soong, Marshal Li Chai-sum of Canton, Tai Chi-tao (of Sun Yat-sen University, Canton), General Chu Pei-teh, General Cheng Chien (who has now been suspended), Wang Fa-chun, Chan Kung-poh, Liu Shou-chung, Kan Nai-kwang, Ting Wei-feng, Yu Yiu-jen, Koo Meng-yu, Li Lih-chun, Ho Hsiang-ying (also known as Mrs. Liao Chung-kai), Hu Han-min, Sun Fo, Hsiao Fucheng, Bei Wen-wei, Dr. C. C. Wu, Chen Yu-jen (Eugene Chen), Soong Hing-ling (Mrs. Sun Yat-sen), King Heng-yi, Pei Yun-ti, Wang Lo-ping, Ting Chao-wu, Hwang Shih, Chu Ming-yi, Chow Chi-kong, General Ho Ying-ching, Chu Chi-ching, Chen Shu-jen, Chen Chia-yao, En-keh Fa-tu (a Mongolian Nationalist).

Reserve members of the Central Executive Committee: Miao Bin, Wu Te-chun, Chen Chao-yin. Central Supervisory Committee (the highest supervisory institution in the Nationalist Government): Wu Chih-hui, Chang Ching-kiang, Tsai Yuan-pai, Koo

Ying-fan, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Li Shih-tseng, Niu Ya-tai, Zai Li-tai, Chen Kuo-fu, Teng Chi-lu,



Mrs. Liao Chung-kai, one of the Kwangtung faction, who refuses to attend.

Huang Chao-hsiung, Chen Pih-chun. Reserve members of the Central Supervisory Committee: General Li Tsung-jen, Kuo Chung-tao, General Li Fook-lum, Pan Yung-chao.

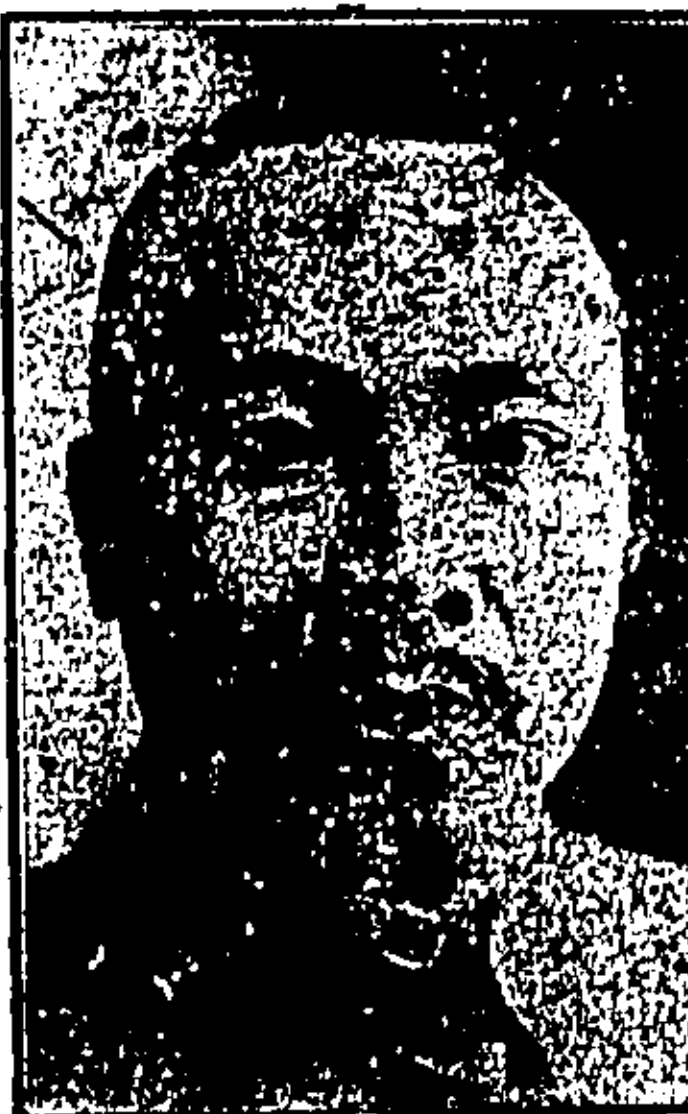
GENERAL SUSPENDED.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
According to a message from Nanking the first preliminary meeting of the fifth plenary session was held under the chairmanship of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek yesterday morning. A resolution was approved confirming the decision of the standing committee of the Central Executive Committee to suspend General Cheng Chien.

The second preliminary meeting will be held to-morrow morning.

General Feng Yu-hsiang, General Yen Hsi-shan and Admiral Yang Shu-chang will be invited to attend.

It was also resolved to telegraph to the various members of the Committee now in Shanghai, namely Wang Fa-chun, Wang Lo-ping, Chen Shu-jen,



General Cheng Chien, "hero" of the Nanking Rape, who has been suspended.

Chan Kung-poh, Koo Meng-yu, Pan Yung-chao and Mrs. Liao Chung-kai, urging them to attend immediately.—Reuter.

NO QUORUM.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek ar-

LABOUR-SOCIALIST IN BRUSSELS.

A FINE RALLY.

THE LEADER'S ELOQUENCE AT OPENING.

STREET PARADE.

Brussels, Yesterday.
Six hundred delegates, representing 32 countries, paraded the streets on the occasion of the opening of the Labour Socialist International Congress.

In his presidential address, Mr. Arthur Henderson said the hour of testing was at hand for the next session of the assembly of the League of Nations must agree to definite action or expose to all the world the plain fact that they are not serious in their intentions and their promises regarding disarmament and war.

Mr. Henderson urged the assembly to "repel the dastardly attack of the Fascist Government on economic work."

M. Vandervelde's Advice.
M. Vandervelde declared that the "international" ought now to turn their attention to the colonies in Asia and Africa "where European capitalists are exploiting the aboriginal proletariats."—Reuter.

H.M.S. "DAUNTLESS."

COURT MARTIAL'S FINDING.

OFFICER DISMISSED.

London, Yesterday.
The Naval court martial which opened at Portsmouth in connection with the grounding of H.M.S. "Dauntless" on the Tribune Shoal at Halifax, Nova Scotia, sentenced the Navigating Officer, Lieut.-Commander T. R. Beatty, to be dismissed his ship and severely reprimanded.—Reuter.

SINGAPORE DOCK.

\$6,400 IN DUES TO THE SUEZ CANAL.

Port Said, Yesterday.
Canal dues of \$6,400 sterling are payable on the Singapore floating dock, which has now entered the Suez Canal.

The transit will take four days and there will be three stops en route.—Reuter.

BY CHANCE.

BIG OPIUM HAUL FROM RICSHA.

\$9,000 FINE.

At the Central Magistracy this morning a Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell with the unlawful possession of 89 taels of prepared and 34 taels of raw opium. He was arrested by an Indian constable whilst riding in a ricksha in Queen-street. The opium was contained in two sealed tins.

Defendant admitted the charges and told the Magistrate that he had personally brought the opium from Wuchow.

Inspector Pain said in reply to the Magistrate that the defendant's arrest was by chance. The opium was found by the constable in the course of an ordinary search. An Indian Sergeant came up soon after the constable had stopped the defendant, and was present when the drug was found in the tins.

The Magistrate imposed fines totalling \$9,000, or, in default, eight months' hard labour. The opium was ordered to be confiscated.

Arrived from Nanking unexpectedly last night. His arrival is believed to be in connection with the fact that the fifth plenary session is unable to sit owing to the absence of a quorum.

The "Shanghai Times" asserts that the fate of the fifth plenary session depends on the reconciliation of the so-called Kwangtung faction consisting of Chen Shu-jen, Wang Lo-ping, Wang Fa-chun and Mrs. Liao Chung-kai, who refused to go to Nanking in consequence of Chan Kung-poh and Kan Nai-kwang having been deprived of membership of the Central Executive Committee (for alleged extremism).

It is believed that Chiang Kai-shek's visit is for the purpose of inducing the four named to proceed to Nanking. He had a very busy morning here, calling on various Nationalist leaders.—Reuter.

FRANCE WINS THE MARATHON.

NEW RECORDS.

WORLD BEATING PERFORMANCES AT AMSTERDAM.

CANADA DOES WELL.

Four world's records went to blazes in Saturday's Olympic performances. At Amsterdam Canadian women broke the time standard in the 400 metres flat race and also in the 400 metres relay race. Another Canadian, Miss Caterwood, took the women's high jump with 1.59 metres, and U.S.A. also broke the world's best in the men's 1,600 metres relay race.

A Frenchman, Elouafi, who had previously won the 400 metres flat, was first home in the Mar-

OCCASIONAL RAIN.

Depression Now North of Nagasaki.

Till noon to-morrow, the weather forecast is as follows:—

"Moderate south-west winds; generally overcast, occasional rain." This applies to Hong Kong, the south coast of China and the Lamocks, and Formosa Channel.

At 11 a.m. to-day the Royal Observatory reported:—"Pressure is high to the north-east of Japan and low over China. The Loochoos depression has deepened and has moved to the north of Nagasaki."

thor in 2 hours 32 minutes and 57 seconds. A Chilean was second and a Finn third. Ferris, of Britain, was seventh. Results as cabled by Reuter follow:—

MARATHON.

Elouafi (France)	1
Playa (Chile)	2
Martellin (Finland)	3
Yamada (Japan)	4
Ray (U.S.A.)	5
Tsuda (Japan)	6
Ferris (Britain)	7

Time: 2 hours 32 mins. 57 seconds.

Elouafi also won the 400 metres. 80 RUNNERS.
Eighty runners set out on the course of 26 miles 600 yards, involving a very severe test owing to the rough nature of much of the ground for the first three miles over cobblestones. The course then followed the River Amstel.

Halfway the competitors crossed the open country, reaching the river and thence to the Stadium. Steyler (South Africa) led at the departure from the Stadium and the field began to string out on reaching the Amstel, the Japanese Yamada and Tsuda heading the first bunch, running as if they could go on for ever.

They were still leading after 21 miles, when Tsuda was overtaken by Ray, with Martellin fourth.

FINISHED FRESH.

Martellin at this point patronised a refreshment stall but rapidly regained his position. It was in the closing stages that the French-Algerian, Elouafi and the Chilean Plaza shot from the rear with well-timed efforts into fifth and sixth places.

Entering the last stretch the former was travelling at amazing speed and knocked off Yamada 200 yards' advantage and broke into a rapid sprint which carried him to the front. The Chilean did the same. Elouafi, whose approach to the Stadium was heralded by a fanfare of trumpets, was vociferously acclaimed as he reached the goal, finishing fresh. 1,600 METRES RELAY (MEN'S).

U.S.A.	1
Germany	2
Canada	3

Won by four yards. Time: 3 mins. 14.1/5 seconds. This is a world's record.

400 METRES RELAY (WOMEN'S).

Canada	1
U.S.A.	2
Germany	3

Won by two yards. Time: 48.2/5 seconds. This is a world's record.

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

BELGRADE EDITOR ASSASSINATED.

POLITICAL CRIME.

BLUDGEONED AND SHOT FOR ANTI-RADITCH CAMPAIGN.

MURDERER'S STATEMENT.

Belgrade Yesterday.
The editor of the newspaper "Jedinstvo," named Vlada Ristovitch, who was recently energetically campaigning against Stephan Raditch, has been assassinated.

A number of unknown men first attacked Ristovitch as he was leaving a cafe, belabouring him with bludgeons. A policeman, however, rescued Ristovitch, helping him to hospital. But en route a workman fired nine shots killing Ristovitch and wounding the policeman.

The assassin when arrested said he was determined to slay the editor because of the "Jedinstvo's" attacks against Raditch.—Reuter.

SIR HENRY HOBART.

VETERAN STATESMAN PASSES AWAY.

London, Yesterday.
The death is announced of Sir Robert Henry Hobart, a well-known Parliamentarian of the sixties and seventies. He was born in 1836. Between 1863 and 1874 he occupied at various periods the high offices of Postmaster General, Chief Secretary for Ireland and Secretary for India. He was a grand old Tory.—Reuter.

HIGH JUMP (WOMEN).

Miss Caterwood (Canada)	1
1.59 metres	
Miss Gisolf (Holland)	2
Miss Wiley (U.S.A.)	3

Miss Caterwood established a world's record.

BRITAIN THIRD.

The unofficial marking up to last (Sunday) evening was:—

	Points.
United States	173
Finland	102
Sweden	46
Britain	44
Switzerland	44
Germany	44
Canada	38
France	27
Japan	19
South Africa	14
Ireland	10
Norway	7
Hungary	6
Haiti	5
Chile	4
Italy	4
Philippines	3
Switzerland	3
Holland	1

THE DECATHLON.

The final places of the Decathlon were:—

Jrjola (Finland)	8,063.29
Jaervinen (Finland)	7,931.50
Doherty (U.S.A.)	7,706.65
Stewart (U.S.A.)	7,624.135
Churchill (U.S.A.)	7,417.115
Jansson (Sweden)	7,286.285

Jrjola's total establishes a record.

The leading positions in the Decathlon as the result of the first five events were:—

Jansson (Sweden)	4,178.85
Jaervinen (Finland)	4,156.03
Stewart (U.S.A.)	4,127.69
Jrjola (Finland)	4,103.30

THE PENTATHLON.

The modern Pentathlon consists of shooting, swimming, fencing, athletics and horse-riding. Three competitors is the maximum number allowed from each nation.

Thofelt (Sweden)	1
Lindman (Sweden)	2
Kahl (Germany)	3
Bergl (Sweden)	4
Hax (Germany)	5
Turquand Young (Britain)	6

3,000 METRES STEEPLECHASE.

Loukola (Finland)	1
Nurmi (Finland)	2
Anderson (Finland)	3

Won by 65 yards in 9 mins. 21.4/5 secs. an Olympic record.

400 METRES.

Barbuti (U.S.A.)	1
Ball (Canada)	2
Buechner (Germany)	3

Time: 47.4/7th seconds. Won by two feet.

400 METRES RELAY (MEN).

America	1
Germany	2
Britain	3

Won by 2 feet in 41 seconds, which equals the world's record.

400 METRES RELAY (WOMEN).

Canada	1
America	2
Germany	3

Won by 2 yards in 48.2/5 secs. A world's record.

PRESIDENTIAL WARRANT ISSUED.

OIL MAGNATE.

MISSING WITNESS IN TEA POT DOME SCANDAL.

PERJURY CHARGE.

Denver, Yesterday.
A Presidential warrant has been issued for the arrest and extradition of the oil magnate, Mr. Henry Blackmer, the missing witness in the Tea Pot Dome case, who is at present living in France.

He is charged with perjury in connection with his Income Tax returns.—Reuter's American Service.

TOMBS OF ROYALTY.

ARREST FOLLOWS SACRILEGE BY TROOPS.

NEW GUARDS ON DUTY.

Peking, Saturday.
The vernacular papers claim that the Peking Police have unearthed an extraordinary instance of sacrilege on the part of some defeated Northern troops belonging to General Chu Yu-pu.

It appears that some weeks ago, after retreating (during the general Manchurian and Northern evacuation) from Tientsin, General Tang Shoo-ching, who is a divisional commander under General Chu Yu-pu, was ordered by Chu Yu-pu to break open the Imperial eastern tombs at Chihaiien, 140 miles east of Peking, in order to take away jewels and precious works of art in the tombs.

Thirteen coffins were taken out, including those of the Emperor Chien Lung (who reigned 60 years and was one of the most famous of the Manchurian dynasty), of Princes and other Chinese royalties.

FIRST SUSPICIONS.

Among the valuables taken was a full-size water-melon carried out in precious stone.

The total booty taken is estimated between \$30,000,000 and \$40,000,000.

The Police became suspicious when some special valuables came on the Peking market. It is claimed that the Police seized one of the curios dealers' shops in which some of the booty was found.

The Police are reticent but it appears that the dealer in question de-camped, and the Police are very busy tracking General Chu Yu-pu's agent.

EMPEROR DOWAGER'S CROWN?

It also appears that after the Police suspicions had been aroused, they arrested an officer among the reorganised troops formerly belonging to Chu Yu-pu, who confessed to the whole story, stating that Chu Yu-pu's men drove away the guards who had all along been maintained at the tombs.

Then it took a fortnight's excavations before the coffins were found. From Emperor Chien Lung's tomb they took four melons made of emeralds, while from the coffin of a highly-placed court lady—reported to be the Empress Dowager—they took a huge diamond formerly worn in a crown. Most of the loot has been sold in Tientsin.

It was on the orders of General Yen Hsi-shan that the Peking police began to prosecute enquiries.

OFFICER ARRESTED.

In connection with the desecration of the Manchu tombs, the Peking police have arrested Tang Sung-ting, a brother of General Tang Shoo-ching, whose forces were responsible for the excavations.

Tang Sung-ting, who is alleged to have sold large quantities of loot in Tientsin and Peking on behalf of his brother, was found by the police in a bath-house. He is an officer of the defeated Northern troops now re-organised under the Nationalists. His bodyguard fired on the police, who, however, persisted and arrested him and lodged him in the military gaol.

Shansi forces have been sent to guard properly the violated tombs, also the western tombs.

One vernacular report says that magnificent pearls, taken from the coffin of the Empress Dowager, was sold in Tientsin for \$50,000.—Reuter.

Gunner J. Tummonney, R.A., was fined \$5 this morning for assaulting an Indian public motor car driver and ordered to pay \$2 as fare. Another soldier, Gunner J. Brian, allegedly implicated, was discharged.

ROME TO REPLACE GENEVA?

THE LEAGUE.

MUSSOLINI'S EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF ITALIAN CAPITAL.

INTERNATIONALISATION.

Geneva, July 15.
Mussolini is steadily making Rome a rival of Geneva as a League of Nations centre.

With his latest request that the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome be made the official agricultural organ of the League, Rome will soon possess three League of Nations institutions.

The first of these, the International Institute of the Unification of Private Law, has recently been housed by Mussolini in the famous Villa Palenconi in the Alban hills.

The second one, The International Cinematographic Institute, has been authorised by the League Council and Assembly, and its organisation at Rome is now under way. It is expected to do much towards making Rome one of the most important centres of the world.

Mussolini's latest request that the International Institute of Agriculture, while maintaining its autonomy, be made the official organ of the League of Nations for all agricultural problems and questions gives Rome really the numerical ascendancy over Geneva as the home of League institutions.

The International Institute of Agriculture, like the League of Nations, was originally the conception of an American, David Lubin, of California. Failing to receive support at home for such an institution, he went to Italy with his idea.

INDUSTRIES.

THE BRITISH SAFEGUARDING LAW.

PARTY PLEDGES.

London, Saturday.

An important statement on policy is contained in a letter from Mr. Stanley Baldwin to Sir Eyres Monsell. It says that the safeguarding of industries law "since it was established as a principle by the Lloyd George Government of 1921, was our policy at the last general election and will be continued, but we shall continue to be pledged not to introduce protection and not to impose any taxes on food."

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NAVAL PACT.

ANGLO-FRENCH PACT REMAINS "VERY SECRET."

London, Saturday.

The scope of the new Anglo-French Naval agreement remains very secret. Apart from "leakages" in the French Press, claiming to be more or less inspired, from which the "Manchester Guardian's" Paris correspondent deduces that the new Entente Cordiale achieved is at least as equally important as that of pre-war days, not only involving something in the nature of the pooling of the two fleets but covering the whole political field so that Britain is ranged side by side with France pending controversies on military disarmament at Geneva and other matters like the evacuation of the Rhineland and the Austro-German union.—Reuter.

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Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Tai Koo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

"ALPHONSE"

DISCHARGED ON TWO
COUNTS.

POLICE CRITICISED.

Making his third appearance before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy on Saturday, M. Jean ("Alphonse") Hund was arrested under a search warrant by Sub-Inspector Elston on July 25, in connection with the alleged sale in the Colony of sweepstake tickets, was discharged on two counts as follows:—

(1) Unlawful possession of Champion sweep tickets for the Shanghai Autumn Race Meeting, issued by the International Country Club, Shanghai, (of which the defendant said he was the secretary); and (2) unlawfully keeping a common gaming house at No. 15, Hangkow-road, Kowloon.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, Assistant Attorney-General, appeared for the first time to conduct the case for the prosecution.

After further evidence and lengthy argument, the Magistrate decided to discharge the defendant on both counts. On the count of keeping a common gaming house, his Worship remarked that it was rather stretching the point to claim that the defendant was keeping a common gaming house in a room of a boarding house, merely because some stubs relating to sweepstake tickets were found.

Mr. Fitzroy agreed with the Magistrate's view, and remarked that he personally had not had anything to do with the framing of that charge.

The count of unlawful possession of sweepstake tickets was dismissed on a technicality. The prosecution fixed the date of possession of the tickets at July 25, and the Magistrate decided that there had been no evidence to prove that defendant actually had any tickets in his possession on that date.

THE ARREST.

In discharging the defendant on this count, his Worship told Mr. Leo d'Almada, Sen., for the defence, that in view of the defendant's visit to Sub-Inspector Elston about the sweepstake tickets when he was not told that the sale of those tickets was unlawful, it was an error of judgment to arrest the defendant in the way he was arrested. His Worship remarked that a summons would have sufficed.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin occupied a seat on the bench with the Magistrate during a part of the proceedings.

An interesting matter which came out during the proceedings was that the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police had that same day (Saturday) issued certain new regulations relating to sweepstakes. After the regulations, which were made as a General Order, had been put in, Sub-Inspector Elston had to admit in examination by Mr. d'Almada, who pointed out to the General Order was "number blank", that the regulations had not yet been published, and they had been issued to the witness departmentally.

The regulations, which were made under an unpublished General Order, and are of great interest to the general public, are published below in full.

SWEETSTAKES.

Owing to the increasing number of sweepstakes being organised by various clubs and institutions in the Colony, Police are instructed not to interfere with such sweepstakes where the following conditions are observed:—

(a) Where the sweepstakes are organised by recognised clubs or institutions in which a deduction of not more than 10 per cent. is made for "running expenses."

(b) In the case of clubs organising sporting events on which they themselves and other recognised clubs run sweepstakes, the organising club will be entitled to deduct 20 per cent. for expenses.

(c) Apart from the deduction of 10 per cent. or 20 per cent. as stated above the total proceeds must be devoted to prizes.

(d) Tickets in all sweepstakes to be obtainable only in the club or institution or from club members authorised by the club. No hawkling of tickets or sale through Agents and no advertisements of any kind to be permitted.

(e) No lotteries or sweepstakes to be permitted for individual profit.

(f) Management of club lotteries to be directly conducted by the club organising the lotteries. In all other cases, action will be taken on the instructions of a Superintendent.

(Sd.) E. D. C. Wolfe,
C. S. P.

When the case was resumed on Saturday, Sub-Inspector Elston was re-called at the request of Mr. Fitzroy, and stated in reply to Counsel that he had received certain new instructions (published above) from the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police relating to lotteries and sweepstakes. These instructions had not yet appeared in orders.

Mr. d'Almada pointed out to the Magistrate that at the previous hearing he had questioned the Sub-Inspector if he had any special instructions with regard to local sweepstakes and the answer had been in the negative, and this in spite of the fact that he had warned the witness that he (Mr. d'Almada) had been informed by the Sub-Inspector's superior officer that no prosecution would be undertaken in the case of sweepstakes run locally. Now he was confronted with these regulations, and suggested that he might have been accorded the courtesy of due warning of their production so that he might have an opportunity of considering the position in the interest of his client.

Sub-Inspector Elston told the Court that he had not had those instructions when he was questioned in Court by Mr. d'Almada last Thursday.

His Worship, after examining the General Order containing the instructions, remarked that they were not issued until that very day (Saturday).

Mr. Fitzroy suggested that Sub-Inspector Elston should read the instructions in Court, but his Worship remarked that it would only be a waste of time. He said that copies of the General Order could be given to the Press for publication.

A LETTER.

Mr. Fitzroy then suggested that Sub-Inspector Elston should read a letter which the witness had found in the defendant's jacket pocket.

Mr. d'Almada objected. He said that it was not fair to read the letter as it brought into the case another party who had nothing to do with the matter. He also said that he did not cross-examine the witness about the letter at the last hearing of the case.

His Worship upheld Mr. d'Almada's objection.

In cross-examination by Mr. d'Almada, Sub-Inspector Elston admitted that the instructions he produced were made under General Order No. "Blank."

His Worship remarked to Mr. d'Almada that the order had not been published yet, hence it did not have a number.

Asked if he knew under what power the C.S.P. issued those instructions, the witness replied that he did.

Counsel requested that he be told, but Mr. Fitzroy objected. He said that the witness could not divulge the information, and if Mr. d'Almada wanted it he should approach the C.S.P.

Mr. d'Almada said that Sub-Inspector Elston was the C.S.P.'s representative and he was entitled to ask him that question. He also remarked: "Let the C.S.P. come here and I will put the same question to him."

The Magistrate upheld Mr. Fitzroy's objection, whereupon Mr. d'Almada requested that the Magistrate note his contention.

PUBLIC IGNORANT.

Replying to further questions by Mr. d'Almada, Sub-Inspector Elston said that as the new instructions had not yet been published, he thought that the public would be ignorant of them.

Asked if there was anything in the new instructions prohibiting a "foreign" or "outside" club selling sweepstake tickets here, the witness said that he thought the word "recognised" club covered that.

Tr. Shanghai Race Club, the witness said in reply to a further question, was not recognised at present. Witness did not have a list of recognised clubs.

Mr. d'Almada: What are recognised clubs?—All well-known local clubs.

When were these new regulations issued?—This morning.

After this case had gone into two hearings?—I believe they were formulated before this prosecution was started.

EVIDENCE CALLED.

The witness agreed with Mr. d'Almada that anything which had been done by a club previous to the issuing of the new regulations would not be binding on the club.

Questioned by the Magistrate, the witness said that defendant's address, No. 15 Hankow-road, was registered as a boarding house since the case was started against the defendant. Defendant occupied a room there as a lodger. The witness had no admission from the defendant that he had sold any tickets at that address.

Mr. d'Almada said that if it would help, he was prepared to admit that the defendant did distribute tickets to be sold in various places in town.

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TAXI.

His Worship said that he could not accept that admission, as in criminal proceedings the defence could not admit any part of the case for the prosecution. If he accepted the admission, in case of appeal, evidence which had not been taken would not then be admissible. Therefore he asked Mr. Fitzroy to call evidence of distribution of the tickets for sale.

FREE TICKETS.

The first witness was Mr. C. Dedeoglou, a tobaccoist, who said that he had known Hund for about three years. The witness admitted that four big and two small books of sweepstake tickets of the International Country Club had been in his possession. They were taken to his shop by Hund on July 11. The books contained over 100 tickets. The witness never asked the defendant for the tickets.

Answering questions by Mr. Fitzroy, the witness said that he was out of the shop when the defendant called on July 11 and the tickets were left by Hund with witness' brother. Witness sold more than 100 of the tickets and paid \$90 to the defendant.

Replying to the Magistrate, the witness agreed that for every ten tickets he sold, he received a free ticket for himself.

By Mr. Fitzroy: The witness had a receipt from the defendant for the \$90 which was paid to Hund through the witness' brother. Witness had never been to Hund's residence.

By Mr. d'Almada: Defendant did not tell the witness to make any secret about the sweepstake tickets.

The next witness called was Mr. A. Trambitzky. He said that on July 24 he went into the Elito Store and there bought a sweepstake ticket of the International Country Club (No. 19080) and put his name on the counterfoil. He bought the ticket from a lady in the store.

By Mr. d'Almada: The witness had been in Hong Kong for about eight years and during that time had been in the habit of buying sweepstake tickets of various clubs. These he bought in the usual way.

This closed the case for the prosecution.

FORMER H.K. RESIDENT.

Addressing the Magistrate, Mr. d'Almada said that the defendant had previously lived in Hong Kong for five years or so, and during that time he was aware, as they all were, that sweepstake tickets were sold everywhere whenever a race was about to be run, and had himself bought various tickets here quite openly.

Then the defendant went to Shanghai where he organised and established the International Country Club which was recognised by the French authorities there. The club had 200 members and was of a sporting nature, including billiards, tennis and golf. In addition there were 50 rooms for resident members.

In the course of the constitution of the club it was thought to run sweepstakes for the race meeting in November next. As secretary of the club, the defendant was sent here to sell some of the tickets for the benefit of the general public. From his previous experience here, defendant thought that there was nothing illegal about his action in distributing tickets for sale here.

"SOLD INDISCRIMINATELY."

Proceeding, Counsel said that that was a reasonable conclusion to arrive at, as no doubt the Magistrate knew as well as he did that sweepstake tickets were sold indiscriminately here to anyone who asked for and paid for them.

Mr. d'Almada then referred to the provisions of the Gambling Ordinance, in which a lottery included any device whereby the distribution of money depended on luck or the result of any race in which numbers were drawn. This being so, Counsel argued that the Ordinance could not be over-ridden by any regulations made by the C.S.P., like those put in, in which a device depending on the result of a race is not an offence under certain conditions. The Ordinance made no allowance for such conditions.

USUAL PROCEDURE.

Referring to the charge of keeping a common gaming house, Mr. d'Almada pointed out that Sub-Inspector Elston was that the witness' belief was strengthened that the sale of sweepstake tickets in Hong Kong was perfectly legal. Had he been told that it was illegal, he would immediately have stopped the sale of the tickets he had distributed and redeemed those that had been sold.

He had bought a ticket from the defendant at that address.

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In conclusion, Mr. d'Almada said he hoped that he would be able to convince his Worship of the defendant's innocence in view of the circumstances of the case and the fact that institutions and clubs here have continually run sweepstakes without prosecution. Defendant had come down to Hong Kong with this knowledge, admittedly to distribute tickets for sale and to advertise them by word of mouth, but he did not sell any himself.

THE INTERVIEW.

If, however, his Worship decided that under the provisions of the Ordinance he had to convict the defendant, then Counsel would ask that the Magistrate take into consideration the interview which the defendant had had with Sub-Inspector Elston about the tickets. He submitted that if defendant had then been told that the sale of the tickets was unlawful he would undoubtedly have stopped their sale and there would have been no cause for the present proceedings. The fact that nothing was said to the defendant at that interview went to strengthen his belief that what he was doing was not illegal.

DEFENDANT'S EVIDENCE.

Hund was then placed in the witness box. He said that he had been restaurant manager of the Hong Kong Hotel for about five years previous to going to Shanghai. There he started the International Country Club in March this year. It was a sporting club with billiards, tennis and golf, and was recognised by the French authorities. There were 50 rooms in the club and they had some resident members. There were at the present time 200 members. The entrance fee was originally \$5 and subscription \$1 per month. Now the entrance fee had been raised to \$25, but the subscription had not yet been decided upon. He suggested it would be either \$3 or \$5 per month. The club was controlled by a committee of original stock holders. Witness was the secretary of the club.

Continuing, witness said that he arrived in Hong Kong at the beginning of July, and admitted that he distributed certain books of sweepstake tickets to various parties here to sell. He did so quite openly. He gave a commission either in tickets or in cash. He admitted receiving some money from Mr. Dedeoglou as proceeds of sale of tickets. This money he was holding at present and would eventually go to the club to be drawn for in prizes.

HIS PASSPORT.

Answering his solicitor, Hund said that he had lived five years in Hong Kong and during that time he had bought sweepstake tickets everywhere, and always had been under the impression that it was legal. Had he known it was illegal to run sweepstakes here he would not have distributed his tickets for sale here. Previous to July 19 the witness was told by friends that Sub-Inspector Elston wished to see him, so he went to the latter's office. Witness asked if the Inspector wanted to see him about the sweepstake tickets and he replied "No" and explained that he wanted to examine witness' passport. This was produced and found to be in order. The result of this conversation with Sub-Inspector Elston was that the witness' belief was strengthened that the sale of sweepstake tickets in Hong Kong was perfectly legal. Had he been told that it was illegal, he would immediately have stopped the sale of the tickets he had distributed and redeemed those that had been sold.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

THE LOAD LINE.

PENDING AMERICAN LEGISLATION.
ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Plans for ascertaining the views of United States shipping interests on the subject of load line legislation were outlined at the first meeting of the American load line committee which was held in the rooms of the American Steamship Owners' Association.

The meeting was held in response to the recent request of Mr. Hoover, secretary of the Department of Commerce, that shipowners, shipbuilders, marine underwriters, and other groups in the industry form a committee to advise the department in the formulation of rules and regulations to be drawn for the enforcement of pending legislation establishing load lines for U.S. merchant vessels.

Need for such legislation has been argued at Washington for several years past. It has been pointed out (state Washington advises), that practically all of the maritime nations have such regulations and that U.S. vessels entering foreign ports are at a disadvantage because of the lack of similar regulations in this country.

The Jones Load Line Bill.

The Senate at the last session passed the Jones Bill, which provides load lines for cargo vessels of 250 tons gross or over engaging in foreign trade and delegates to the Secretary of Commerce the authority to establish load line marks and regulations in general accord with the practice of the principal maritime nations. It is expected that the measure will be favourably acted upon by the House at the next session.

Collectors of customs are authorized by the Jones Bill to detain vessels supposed to be loaded in violation of the load line law pending a survey to determine whether the vessel actually is overloaded, and, if the charge is proved, to detain the vessel until reloaded in accordance with the law. A penalty of \$100 is fixed for each violation of the rules. Failure to enter in the log a statement of the relation of loading marks to water line at the time of leaving port also will be punishable by a fine of \$20 for each offence.

Owners, managers, agents and masters will be held responsible for failure to prevent the departure of overloaded vessels. Masters or other persons knowingly permitting vessels to depart in violation of detention orders will be liable to a fine of \$100 or imprisonment for three months, or both, in the discretion of the court. Obliteration of load line marks will be punishable by a fine of \$200 or imprisonment for not more than a year, or both. Vessels may be labelled for such fines.

Edwin C. Bennett, naval architect, was named as technical secretary of the committee at the meeting. Sub-committees were appointed and arrangements were made for a series of meetings during the summer and fall. Tanker, collier, lumber, passenger liner and other special groups will be represented on the various sub-committees, and it is expected that other names will be added to the main committee as the work progresses.

NEW VESSELS.

NEW YORK-ALEXANDRIA SERVICE.
SHELTER DECK TYPE.

The final classification plans for the construction of the four 14-knot combination passenger and cargo steamers to be built by the Export Steamship Corporation of New York for operation in the New York-Alexandria Levant service have been received at the Shipping Board.

"The Board will study the plans," said Mr. T. V. O'Connor (chairman), "and should they meet all requirements and be considered practicable in every way, approval will be forthcoming. Other shipping operators are awakening to the possibilities of the Jones White Act, and undoubtedly will take the steps that will give the United States Merchant Marine the place on the high seas that it deserves."

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The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai on August 2, and is due here on August 20.

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NALDERA	16,088	17th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	31st Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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TALANBA	8,918	5th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MIRZAPUR	6,715	5th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,053	14th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	20th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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Passengers arrived by the s.s.

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W. R. F. Addison, Mr. Andrews,
Mr. F. W. Bryant, Lt. F. Barchard,
Mr. W. W. Brotherton, Miss E. M.
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Tiau via S'ow & S'hai	HOPSANG	Sun., 19th Aug. at Noon
Osaka via Amey, Shanghai		
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Canton	KWONGSANG	Wed., 8th Aug. at 3 p.m.
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Straits & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Mon., 13th Aug. at 3 p.m.
Tientsin	CHEONGSHING	Tues., 7th Aug. at 5 p.m.
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In a farewell audience to Sir

Odo Russell, the retiring British

Minister to the Holy See, and Lady

Russell, the Pope expressed regret

at their impending departure, and

said he hoped he would see them

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Owing to the fact that complainant would not be fit to appear in Court, a Chinese, charged before Mr. W. Schofield on Saturday with assaulting another man, was remanded for one week. Bail was opposed by the police.

The Canadian Pacific S.S. Company, in an advertisement appearing to-day, announce special round-trip summer excursions at specially reduced fares. Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama and return are the routes selected.

Isaac Ekman, described as a Russian Jew, was this morning fined \$50 by Major C. Willson, O.B.E., for attempting to stowaway from Hong Kong to Singapore on board a B.I. steamer. The alternative was four weeks' imprisonment.

The master of a trading junk, who was found in possession of 28 jars containing 112 gallons of dutiable liquor; with importing the said liquor on board a junk of less than 300 piculs capacity, and with being in possession of dangerous goods, was fined \$500 or four months' hard labour on the first charge; \$50 or one month, (to run concurrently) on the second charge; and \$100 or six weeks', consecutive, on the third charge.

CHINA'S SKIES.

WHAT MAY BE SEEN THIS MONTH.

AN ASTROLOGER'S LIST.

August, 1928

6. Uranus in conjunction with the Moon, 4.14 a.m. U. 4° 02' N.
 8. Jupiter in conjunction with the Moon, 2.09 p.m. J. 1° 07' N.
 9. Moon's Last Quarter, 1.10 a.m.
 10. Mars in conjunction with the Moon, 2.12 a.m. M. 0° 35' S.
 10. Venus and Neptune in conjunction, 11 a.m. V. 0° 59' N.
 11. Moon in perigee, 0.40 a.m.
 15. Mercury in conjunction with the Moon, 6.15 p.m. M. 3° 15' S.
 15. New Moon, 9.35 p.m.
 15. Neptune in conjunction with the Moon, 9.52 p.m. N. 4° 43' S.
 16. Mercury in Superior conjunction, 1 p.m.
 16. Venus in conjunction with the Moon, 7.11 p.m. V. 3° 51' S.
 17. Saturn at a Stationary Point, 3 p.m.
 19. Mercury and Neptune in conjunction, 5 a.m. M. 1° 17' N.
 21. Mercury in apogee, 8 p.m.
 21. Neptune in apogee, 11 p.m.
 22. Neptune in conjunction with the Sun, 3 p.m.
 23. Moon in apogee, 2.30 p.m.
 23. Moon's First Quarter, 4.07 p.m.
 23. Sun enters the sign Virgo, 5.53 p.m.
 24. Saturn in conjunction with the Moon, 6.30 p.m. S. 2° 07' N.
 31. Jupiter at a Stationary Point, 1 a.m.
- Numerous Meteors of the Perseid stream are expected this month. The nights of most abundance being from the 10th to the 12th. Perseus rises in the eastern sky at about 9 p.m. and the Moon rises 4 hours later and therefore will not much interfere with their observation.
- Constellations near the meridian at 9 p.m.—Around the zenith: Hercules and Lyra; Northern sky: Draco, Cepheus; Eastern sky: Cygnus, Delphinus, Pegasus; Southern sky: Aquila, Sagittarius, Scorpio, Ophiuchus; Western sky: Serpens, Corona, Bootes.
- The Milky Way crosses the sky from northeast to southwest.
- Brightest stars: Vega, 0.1, Lyra; Deneb, 1.3, Cygnus; Altair, 0.9, Aquila; Antares, 1.2, Scorpio; Arcturus 0.2, Bootes.—By Canopus in the "N. C. Daily News."

LESSON SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG.

"Spirit" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, August 5.

The Golden Text was from Psalm 143:10, "Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God; thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness."

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For to be carnally minded is death; but, to be spiritually minded is life and peace" (Romans 8:1, 2, 6).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science text book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The individuality of man is not less tangible because it is spiritual and because his life is not at the mercy of matter. The understanding of his spiritual individuality makes man more real, more formidable in truth, and enables him to conquer sin, disease and death." (p. 317).

WEEK-END RAIN.

JUST OVER 4 INCHES
RECORDED.

STREETS FLOODED.

Just over four inches of rain was recorded at the Royal Observatory from Saturday morning up to yesterday evening. This rainfall, which included the heavy downpour yesterday morning, almost reached the total for the whole of the month of wet days.

The total rainfall from 11 a.m. on Saturday to 10 a.m., yesterday, (just about the time the heavy downpour started), was 2.256 inches. Yesterday morning's heavy rain brought the total up by 1.850 inches, the latter figure being recorded at the Observatory for the seven hours from 10 a.m., to 5 p.m., yesterday.

Heavier Fall.
The heaviest fall of rain was from 12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m., yesterday, for which the record showed 1.64 inches. It was accompanied by thunder and lightning. The streets were flooded within a very short space of time, and nullahs which had long been dry were roaring with swift torrents. The Happy Valley was flooded, but was well drained before evening by the big new water way, just completed. Queen's-road was about a foot under water, and the water invaded the floors of many shops whose entrances were flush with pavement level. No serious damage was done, however.

WATER QUERIES.

BY DR. TSO IN SANITARY BOARD.

EXPLANATION ASKED FOR.

Dr. S. W. Tso, LL.D., has given notice of the following questions which are to be asked at tomorrow's meeting of the Sanitary Board:—

- (1) "Are the following statements as appeared in the Chinese newspapers, purporting to be made by the Water Authority in explanation of the condition of water supply in the Central and Western districts, correct? namely:—
- (a) that the fullest capacity of the Pokfulam Reservoir which supplies the Central and Western districts is sixty-six million gallons, out of which five million gallons are useless,
- (b) that 20 days before the restriction on water supply in the Central and Western districts commenced Pokfulam Reservoir was full to overflowing,
- (c) that, on full supply, the Central and Western districts consume three million gallons daily,
- (d) that the Tai Tam Reservoir can give a supply of eight million gallons a day,
- (e) that during the period of restriction the Pokfulam Reservoir supplies to the Central and Western districts 750,000 gallons per day and the Tai Tam Reservoir 1,750,000 gallons; making a total supply of 2,500,000 gallons per day,
- (f) that the force of the water from the Tai Tam Reservoir to the Central and Western districts is weak because the supplying pipe to these districts is small; and because every one draws water at the same time during the hour of supply the water cannot be forced up to the upper floors of the houses in the rider-main districts,
- (g) that the difference in rain fall between the Tai Tam area and the Pokfulam area is that while Tai Tam gets 8.85 inches Pokfulam gets only 3.35 inches.

(2) If the above statements are correctly reported the difference on full supply and restricted supply in these two districts is only 500,000 gallons per day. What is the reason or cause therefore that the Tai Tam Reservoir could not give these two districts an additional 500,000 gallons a day in order to keep them on full supply?

(3) What are the measures, temporary or otherwise, taken by the Government to deal with shortage of water supply to these two most populous districts during the hot season?

The U. S. Congress has completed the legislation authorising the participation of America in the conference to be held in London next year for the revision of the 1914 Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea.

An expedition under the auspices of the Chicago Geographical Society is leaving New York next month for Equatorial Africa to explore the district known as the Buvanzori Range, popularly known as the "Mountains of the Moon."

P'RAPs-P'RAPs NOT!

A little boy was thrilled by a succession of wonders on his first train journey. The train plunged into a tunnel and rushed out into the open.

"Lummie," said the little boy, "it's to-morrow."

The typist had addressed a letter to Newport, Mon., as Newport Monday, which in due course came back through the Dead Letter Office. On being interrogated somewhat sarcastically by her chief as to whether she had ever heard of such a place as Newport Monday, she tearfully replied: "No, but I thought it was all right because I've often heard of Sheffield Wednesday."

We've unstinted applause for the diver so bold, "When careering along amid dangers untold, Over submarine hedges and ditches."

But there's one thing I wonder about the brave man, In his helmet so strong, and that's just how he can Give a scratch to his nose when it itches.

One evening as a young cotton spinner and his sweetheart were nestled in the shadow of the trees, he proposed to her, and was readily accepted.

"But," she hastened to add after a few moments' reflection, "Av mean to make some brass first." "That's right," "Beca," agreed her lover, "but after we've wed that'll hev to make brass last!"

A man was admiring his pigeons one afternoon when he heard a curious thud, and saw one of the birds falling from a window ledge on which it had been perched. Turning round he was just in time to see a small boy drop a catapult, and run down a lane. After a short chase he was captured.

"Now, you young rascal," roared the man, "what do you mean by shooting my pigeon?"

"Please, sir, I didn't mean to hit it," blubbered the youngster. "I aimed at the window."

Two gentlemen were talking together, when a third friend came up and joined them.

"My first," one of the two gentlemen was saying to the other, "is cross-eyed, my second is dyspeptic, and my third is paralytic."

"Well," said the gentleman who had just come up, "how can we guess it unless you tell us what your whole is?"

"Guess what?" "Why, your charade." "Charade? I wasn't giving a charade, sir. I was talking about my three children!"

The landlord of the "Green Jug" had a weakness for running "raffles."

Bill Jones had taken part in all of them, but always discovered that the prize was won by some member of the landlord's family.

One morning Bill walked in, and the landlord produced another bundle of tickets. "Here you are, Bill," he exclaimed. "Only a shilling a ticket, and the prize is a lovely violin."

"That's funny!" commented Bill.

"What's funny?" queried the landlord suspiciously.

"Why," replied Bill. "I didn't know that anyone in your family could play the violin. What will you do with it?"

Arriving at school an hour late, Tommy was asked to explain.

"Well, we're going to have a little boy at our house," he announced triumphantly.

"A little boy? How do you know you are going to have a new brother?"

"'Cause a year ago when mother was ill we had a little girl, and now father's ill!"

Beh! Its the "merry month of June"—Beh!

From the order of service observed in an Edinburgh church recently:—

Organ prelude—Improvisation on the tune "Luther." Introit (Hymn 444)—"Great God! what do I see and hear?"

At a social gathering, of Edinburgh and Glasgow Corporation Gas Departments' Welfare Clubs in Glasgow the other day, Baille Paterson said that during a Glasgow Town Council meeting, the death-rate figure for the month was given as 14.0. One member was not clear as to the meaning of .9 and on asking his neighbour, who was a humorous person, he was informed that 14 per thousand had died and that nine were on the point of death.

The first member thought for a moment, then remarked, "Ah, well, we'll have them included next month a' richt."

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AN EXPLODED ILLUSION.

If there is one idea more than another that has been fondly cherished and never doubted ever since the close of the World War it has been that held with regard to the numerical superiority or, as the Americans express it, the "plurality" of women over men. And it was also as firmly as generally believed that this excess of one sex was at the root of England's social and economic unsettlement. No current belief seemed more certain or unassailable. Now, however, it seems, that we must relegate this idea among those other cherished illusions dissolved under the remorseless searchlight of modern investigation.

In the July number of "The Nineteenth Century and After," Dr. Meyrick Booth, whose reputation as a scientific handler of statistics is deservedly very high, tells us that this surplus of women is not abnormal, and is much less than is popularly supposed to be the case. In England and Wales, for example, the present day ratio of the sexes is as 100 to 108; and the chief excess of women is to be found at the higher age-levels of the population. Thus, under the age of 25, there is virtually no excess. Of women between 20 and 45, there are in England and Wales 7,900,000. Of men between 20 and 50, there are 8,000,000—not so remarkable a difference, therefore, to justify so much certainty as has so long existed regarding the excess of women over men and the fluent statements as to "surplus" women.

But despite these figures we have the well-authenticated fact that we have in England 3,000,

000 unmarried women of marriageable age. Obviously, it is clear that the single state of these women is not because there are not enough men. As a matter of fact there are in England 2,500,000 unmarried men of marriageable age, a fact which, regarded in the proper light, should considerably modify the commonly accepted views held as to the supposed "surplus" women. Dr. Meyrick adduces these facts in support of his theory that it is therefore not the impossibility of marriage which induces women to seek economic independence. Quite logically he concludes that that it is much more likely to be the competition of women in the money-earning careers which is making marriage in so many instances impossible for men by keeping them out of employment. Thus the army of spinsters is directly responsible for increasing the army of bachelors, thus detrimentally affecting the marriage rate and to a lesser extent the birth rate.

The subject is one of very considerable interest, particularly at the present time when unemployment figures are not showing the same downward tendency evident in the statistics of a few months ago and also when the British and the Canadian Governments particularly are making strenuous efforts to cope with the problem of immigration and unemployment.

According to a Chinese report, two men who were suspected of robbing a junk and sampan a few months ago have been arrested by the police.

Ip Wei-hang, aged 24, a woman living at No. 8, Stone Nullah-lane, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday morning, suffering from poison taken by mistake.

A Chinese passenger returning to China by the "President Madison" on Friday was fined \$100 by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday, for being in possession of 100 rounds of ammunition.

The verandahs of a block of houses which are being torn down at the junction of Queen's-road Central and Circular Pathway, collapsed on Saturday afternoon. As the houses were unoccupied and no one was at work at the time, there were no personal injuries.

Advance booking is now open at the Queen's Theatre for Gloria Swanson's big new film, "Sadie Thompson," a remarkable production based on Somerset Maugham's famous play "Rain." "Sadie Thompson" comes to the Queen's Theatre on Wednesday as the feature attraction until Saturday. Cinema-goers should note that, owing to the length of the picture, performances start at the special times of 2.30, 5.00, 7.15 and 9.30.

COLONIAL GOVT.

VIEWS ON THE CEYLON
RECOMMENDATIONS.

HONG KONG'S INTEREST.

Opposite views by those concerned are expressed regarding the report of the Donoughmore Commission which advocates sweeping changes in the administration of the Crown Colony of Ceylon.

That the Legislative and Executive Councils be abolished and a State Council of 65 elected and 12 nominated members be inaugurated is the main feature of the Commissioners' recommendations; others are manhood suffrage with votes for women of 30 and over, and the allocation of a supervisory rather than executive role to the Governor whose reserved powers, on the other hand, are to be increased.

While not directly concerning this Colony, Hong Kong has particular interest in the suggested reforms because it is known that H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) is taking up the matter of local representation during his stay at Home.

Further, a number of our leading officials, including Sir Cecil Clementi, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), the Director of Public Works (the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, C.B.E.), the Harbour Master (Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., retired), and also His Honour the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E., K.C.) have to their credit a number of years of service in Ceylon.

THE RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Donoughmore Commission, whose report has been issued, recommends that:—

A State Council, consisting of 65 elected and 12 nominated members should replace the Legislative Council.

The Executive Council also to be abolished, the State Council dealing with executive as well as legislative business, sitting in an executive capacity or in legislative session.

Departments to be divided into ten groups under the charge of separate Ministers of which seven are to be taken from among the elected members, the remaining three to be under the charge of the Colonial Secretary, the Colonial Treasurer and the Attorney-General, who become State members.

The Colonial Secretary to be Chairman of the Board of Ministers, but a member of the Board other than a State officer is to be the leader of the State Council and Government's chief spokesman.

STATE REPRESENTATION.

Associated with each of the seven groups of elected Ministers is to be an executive of the State Council.

A vote of "no confidence" in the Board of Ministers or in the particular chairman of the Executive Committee would involve a general election as also would the defeat of the Ministers on the annual budget.

Manhood suffrage with votes to women over thirty years of age. The Commission also considers that communal representation is wholly pernicious and recommends that it be abolished in order to allay the quibbles of the minority communities.

The Governor is to be asked to nominate twelve, of whom six are to be, preferably, British. The Governor is assigned a supervisory rather than an executive role, but his reserved powers are increased.

That opinions differ at the moment and that London official circles retain an open mind is indicated by the following:—

I gather the impression from political circles that there is no intention of despatching action in the adoption of the report by Colonial Office.

Any proposals for adjustment will be given a patient hearing.

Previous procedure indicates that the report can be adopted by an Order-in-Council, after consideration by the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

"Times of Ceylon" London correspondent.

LEADING OPINIONS.

Sir Geoffrey Butler and Dr. Drummond Shiels, two members of the Donoughmore Commission, appeal for a fair hearing for the report, which they declare to be sympathetic from every point of view.

Dr. Shiels hoped that the Europeans and members of other minority communities would seize the opportunity to co-operate in an effort to realise all the favourable possibilities of the reforms.

Says Sir Geoffrey Butler, "the constitution should be the turning point in Ceylon's history and in the history of the Empire." He hoped there would be no partisan spirit displayed in its reception.

Sir Edward Rossing said that looking at the report from a detached point of view, he considers the recommendations in the nature of an extremely interesting experiment, and, given goodwill by the parties concerned, he saw no reason why it should not be successful.

"The proposed Constitution is such a very novel step that, should Parliament accept the proposal as it stands, it will be difficult to offer effective criticism," he continued.

Sir Edward declared that at this stage, and until the scheme has been put to a practical test, it would be a mistake for Europeans to offer active opposition, "as we can only believe that it is an honest, whole-hearted attempt to solve a very difficult problem."

Sir Stanley Bels declared that until the report had been thoroughly digested he would be unable to pronounce any very definite views, but on the first reading he was disposed to think that the interests of all sections of the community had been provided for, and he sincerely hoped and prayed that the obviously arduous and careful work of the Commission would result in drawing all parties together for the advancement and prosperity of Ceylon.

Mr. T. L. Villiers, who expressed general approval of the proposals, emphasised the importance which he attached to Europeans taking their chance with the electorate instead of leaving their representation to nomination. He considers that the recommendations should be supported by the European community, whose interests he believes to be adequately safeguarded.

He added that the proposed constitution would provide members of the European community with an opportunity to take a more active part in the affairs of the island.

Trenchant criticism of the report is made by Mr. J. R. Weinman, the doyen of the Bar, who quotes a letter from a prominent Congress man to show that there are "ominous signs" of growing disapproval. Mr. Weinman describes the proposed Constitution as a "leap in the dark."

He believes, Dr. Shiels has dominated his colleagues with ideals applicable to Great Britain with its homogeneous population. He disapproves of the elimination of communal representation, which was not intended to promote the interests of any community, but to place views before the Council.

Lady Dias Bandaranaike welcomes the extension of the franchise to women, who, she declares, have the right to the vote by the fact that frequently, in village life, they are the wage-earners.

Mr. C. S. Burns, in a startling attack on the Commissioners' report, describes the Constitution as "Gilbertian," and derides many of the assumptions on which the report is based. He charges them with levity and recklessness in discarding weighty evidence in favour of their own opinions.

Mr. G. A. Wille, senior Burgher member of the Legislative Council, described the recommendations, when interviewed by the "Times of Ceylon," as a "rash and precipitate experiment."

The scheme seemed to involve turning the whole Council into an Administrative Committee, he said.

"BIBLE PESTS."

REVIVAL IN RUSSIA ALARMS
SOVIET.

"GODLESS ONES."

Moscow, June 9.

Now that the little township of Sergevo, 40 miles north of Moscow, has been "saved from the rising tide of religious reaction," by the abolition of Sunday as a day of rest and the "extraction" of some 40 elderly church-going ex-aristocrats by the OGPU (Secret Police), Moscow's affiliated "Godless ones" have begun to raise a horrible clamour about "The Baptist danger," the "Sunday Times" is informed.

A wave of evangelism is, in fact, sweeping over vast areas, and the ravages of these "Bible-pests" are especially terrible in Siberia and the industrial districts of Leningrad. The Bolshevik party views this movement with grave concern for three main reasons—first, it is a new movement which cannot be discredited by the allegation that it was connected with the old regime or with Tsarists abroad; second, it is largely a proletarian movement for which no ex-aristocrats can be held responsible; third, it has connections in America, and evangelistic America, with its Baptist Coolidge and Baptist Rockefeller, is the fountainhead of world credits.

This American connection makes the Bolsheviks nervous in more ways than one—during the anti-foreign crisis last summer after the British breach and Volok's assassination in Warsaw, President Coolidge was openly accused by Pravda, on the very day 20 ex-aristocrats were shot, of fostering Baptistry in Siberia as an instrument of American Imperial penetration.

The Orthodox Russian Church, deprived by the Soviet Government of its only Synod and its Provincial Councils, is also uneasy about these Bible men, and that is one of the underlying reasons for last autumn's abortive attempt to negotiate a concordat between the Metropolitans and the Bolsheviks.

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(Continued on next Column.)

IN RED RUSSIA.

"CLOSE-UP" OF MOSCOW
LIFE.

SERVICE AND SHORTAGE.

Moscow.—Georges London, the French journalist, quotes Trotsky as saying, before his fall, that "Russia is a big monkey house." Now I do not wish to stress his point of view, but in focusing my projector so that you may get some close-ups of this film of modern Russia, I bear Trotsky's remark in mind.

Russia, I believe, knows nothing about community singing, but Moscow knows quite a lot about community cooking. The other day I had occasion to call on a newly-married friend, who lives about twenty minutes walk from the centre of the city. He is a man who has been used all his life to the usual comforts of a cultured man, and I found him making no complaint that his flat is being shared by eight other people.

My friend, indeed, rejoiced in the fact that he and his wife have one whole room to themselves. But not a kitchen. The motto of the kitchen is: "One for all and all for one." Each family or sub-section of a family has its own oil stove, and the disputes which arise when Mme. Ritzikoff's borsch bubbles over into Mme. Carlonsky's stewed chicken must be heard to be believed.

STREET HAWKERS.

A year ago there were hundreds of hawkers in the streets of Moscow, but this year for every one there was a last year, there are ten. Not one main street, but every main street is crowded with them. They stand elbow to elbow along the kerb, and also line the other side of the pavement, selling every conceivable article, from human hair to caviare sandwiches.

The reason why there are so many hawkers is because Stalin is making his drive against private trading; soon there will be no private shops left in Moscow, everything will be sold by the State. But the public has long since discovered that State-owned shops mean bad service, and often a shortage of goods.

The public, therefore, prefers to deal with the small trader, who sells his goods for the most part cheaper than the State. Now a considerable number of the keystone merchants are the small shopkeepers who have been driven out of business by Stalin. In some cases a man will hire several hawkers and supply them with goods. The private trader was driven out by being tared to death.

FEES FOR LICENCES.

The hawkers pay a fee for a licence, but soon, no-doubt, Stalin will declare war against the hawkers and the taxes will be raised and raised so that the hawker will not be able to exist, and then all trade—if the present regime lasts so long—will be in the hands of the State.

"Never be rude to a beggar; he may have been a prince," said a friend of mine to me. Without challenging this statement I must say that hitherto I had, perhaps, been somewhat abrupt with a number of the former aristocracy.

Recruits for Baptists.

The Soviet Press makes "horrible revelation" about Leningrad, where there are 25,000 baptised members, not counting the more numerous working-class partisans, 702 prayer-houses, 583 well-equipped clubs with children's rooms, symphony orchestras, free teas, and insurance benefits.

Leningrad's best Baptist chapel, with a beautiful club hall and seating for 1,200, is planted right between the chief electrical works and the chief railway repair building shops, neither of which possess a workers' club, and the Baptists are finding numerous recruits among the foremen of these and other State industries. Leningrad Baptists have acquired a valuable site on the Nevsky Prospect, where, unless they are stopped, and so far they are acting in full accord with Soviet law—they are going to build a "Christian House" with chapel, club, and central offices.

While the workers have to wait six months for admission to the Red inebriated home, these Baptists go and find drunkards' wives and compel them to come in. Moreover, they adopt the Bolsheviks' own methods of "agitation." Bible in hand, challenging the Godless ones to theological disputes, and they have also got their own "Soviet State plan" to convert one-quarter of the Russian population within five years.

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That childhood rhyme about the beggars coming to town, "some in rags and some in velvet gowns," does not hold good here, because they are all in rags, tattered and torn, and all so forlorn. Terrible, terrible poverty. There is a legend in Moscow that the beggars have a secret union of their own, and it is positively true that a certain province called Kaluga, not far from here, does produce thousands of professional beggars.

Despite the abysmal poverty I have observed two curious incidents. I was looking in a shop, and next to me stood a young girl, poorly dressed, carrying a baby in her arms. The girl was eating a cake; she had taken but one bite when the cake fell on the pavement. The girl looked at it and then went away.

Now there are many European cities I know where the sisters of that girl would have retrieved that cake. And another thing. Outside my hotel here, a perfectly good but dead pigeon lay in the roadway. It lay there while dozens of poorly-dressed people passed. Now it is only a few months ago that I saw a wounded pigeon fall dead on the steps of the Sporting Club in Monte Carlo, and a man riding a bicycle stopped, picked up the bird, and rode home to what I must presume was pigeon pie.

But if the natives of Moscow had to pay the same prices for food foreigners have to pay, then there are many who would have to sing for their supper. Here are some prices taken haphazard from the menu in my hotel. Caviare, 6s. 6d.; portion; tomato salad, 4s.; soup (cheapest on menu), 1s. 6d.; fish, 4s.; roast beef, 6s.; steak, 6s.; cutlet, 5s.; peas (tinned), 3s. 6d.; fruit salad (tinned), 4s. 6d.; coffee, 1s.; one orange, 2s.

Natives pay nothing like that. Meat is cheap, sixpence a pound, bread 2½d., butter, on the other hand, is dear, 2s. 6d. a lb. All over Russia lodgings are cheap, they crowd four or five people into a room, and the rent works out at sixpence per head per week.

CRIMSON AND GOLD OPERA. The State Opera House here is magnificent in crimson and gold. Every seat in the house is sold out twenty-four hours ahead, even though the stalls cost sixteen shillings a seat. The performance is mediocre, but the staging marvellous. None of the artists are members of the Communist Party, and they fight for high salaries much as artists do in other countries. The ex-royal box, the night I attended a performance of "Lohengrin" (re-written), was occupied by a gentleman in a muffler.

Soviet Russia has quite a new idea in running prisons. In many prisons cells have been abolished, and the prisoners sleep in dormitories, each bed with a wireless headphone. Leave is given every year, and the peasants receive two months' furlough to go back to their farms for the harvest and the sowing. Then they return to prison. And they never fail to do so.

No record has ever been kept of the number of executions which have taken place in Russia since 1917. All that is known is that they run into hundreds of thousands. There are comparatively few this year. Executions take place only for offences against the State. Mystery is still preserved concerning the manner in which the executions are carried out, but there is one thing certain: the prisoner is never told when he is about to be shot.

A man may be told that he is to go to take a bath, or that the governor of the prison wants to see him, or that he is to change his sleeping quarters. As the condemned man or woman walks along a corridor, the executioner, in felt slippers, steps out from a darkened doorway behind the condemned man; he presses a revolver to the back of the condemned person's head, and pulls the trigger. Executions, I believe, usually take place an hour or two after the trial.

I have already described the Red Army on parade, the shouting, noisy, but highly efficient-looking army of Russia. The streets are full of swilling soldiers, but one night at dusk I had a totally different glimpse of them.

ENCHANTING VOICES. I was walking alongside the grey white Chinese wall of the city. From a near-by street came the sound of enchanting male voices. Then the tramping of heavy boots and round the corner came a squad of soldiers, their long mustard coloured coats trailing in the dust but their faces uplifted towards the stars.

They were singing with reverence some peasant song of their homes, and they tramped, tramped with the long and almost slow step which has been traditional with the Russian Army for generations.

They turned under an arch beneath the wall, their voices echoing, and singing till they disappeared from my view into the grey and mysterious vastness of the Kremlin.—M. J. Greenwall in "Daily Express."

NOTICES.

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T. V. HARMON, Hon. Secretary, Tattoo Scenario Committee, Hong Kong, August 6, 1928.

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TRAINING IN SCHOOLS:
BORSTAL METHODS.

SUNDAY GAMES DEFENDED.

Blackpool, June 20.
The magistrates' conference which has been sitting here to-day spent their time in discussion of a number of important subjects—the nature of the industrial and reformatory schools and the Borstal institution, and their great success in the improvement of character, with one comparatively light interjection upon the subject of Sunday games which are played at Borstal, although the ostensibly more civilised communities of towns are not allowed to so indulge, reports the "Manchester Guardian."

The first paper of the day was given by Dr. A. H. Norris, the Chief Inspector of Home Office Schools, upon their work and results. He recalled that while Queen Victoria was on the throne 600 boys under 16 years of age were waiting transportation of Botany Bay, and Parkhurst Prison was built to hold them. Conditions had changed. It was the successors of Mary Carpenter who now governed the Home Office schools, and sought for still better methods of handling the children who came to them.

It was the policy of the Home Office to encourage the individuality of schools, and on the whole the system worked well. The first class school, known as the industrial school, was for those of school age who had really been neglected and were not vicious or bad; they were a kind of residential elementary school. The reformatory schools were for those above school age who had been found lying or stealing repeatedly. The Act did permit magistrates to send girls and boys of twelve or thirteen to a reformatory, but he begged them to send children of that age to the industrial schools. (Applause.) There was a very silly clause in the Act which prevented magistrates from sending young boys to the industrial schools in certain cases. Sometimes that clause was successfully evaded, but where it was not he begged them, if they had to commit a boy of that age, to ask the Home Secretary to exercise his privilege of sending the offender to the junior school.

TRUSTING THE CHILDREN.

It was only fifty years ago that an educational authority built a truant school containing twenty cells. Now those were turned into bedrooms, bathrooms, sports stores. The convict uniform, the lock and key were gone. They had come to the conclusion that a good school-room education was essential to everyone of the children. Nothing produced such good discipline of mind. Even in the reformatory schools they had found that a similar training, though more in the nature of continued education, was the best thing. But the children's spare time must not be fully organised that they never learned to organise it themselves. The schools did trust children to-day. At a holiday camp, for instance, the boys were let out from two until eight with pocket money. It was only by such tests that boys could be fitted for civilian life. Children were allowed home on seven or eight days' leave. One of the most successful features of the schools was that they did place boys and girls in work almost without exception, and that employers came back to them for more.

He had lately seen a school for girls; but not a certified school, in which the girls wore striped print frocks, white cotton stockings, heavy boots, white caps, and a plaid shawl. They were known to the young men of the village rescue cases, and remarks were made about them every time they were seen. It lowered the self-respect of a girl every time she wore that costume. In that school fifteen girls were put on probation; but he could not believe that the courts who had put them on probation knew to what sort of thing they had sent them. It was, he concluded, quite necessary that magistrates should satisfy themselves that the home to which they sent children was one where the children could live a self-respecting life and be trained to live in the world.

In answer to Sir Thomas Rowbotham, who complained that the Stockport Industrial Schools were empty while voluntary institutions were overflowing, Dr. Norris said that that was largely because the modern person looking with a kindly eye to child life would not drag a child before a criminal court to get him protection there until the criminal courts were so handled that there was no taint attaching to them.

THE BORSTAL SYSTEM.

Dr. J. C. W. Methven, governor of the Borstal Institution, said that the system had much altered since the days of the first boys' prison. Its gate, to-day, stood open; the officers no longer wore uniform and

carried no staff. One's first impression of the boys was of their health and their sensible dress of shorts and cricket shirts. Conduct earned for them the right to wear blue instead of other colours, and the acquisition of that blue was as much coveted as the Oxford or Cambridge variety. The houses had their housemasters and their sections, each led by one of the boys. Dr. Methven described the long day's occupations, from 6.40 a.m. to 8.50. It was a day designed to keep them fully occupied, for the chief failure of these days was that they could not apply themselves to humdrum jobs. The most of their teachers could do was to teach them to work. He was very glad to say that now they were allowed to play games on Saturdays and Sundays. There used to be nothing for them to do on Sundays but mope about.

In Borstal there were no more punishments of bread and water or solitary confinement, and he believed it was 15 years since a boy was birched. The "strong cells" were only used to show the young offender what used to happen to him. By depriving boys of privileges they now got all the effect they desired. There was growing up a certain tradition, and the lads themselves provided them with all the authority they needed. They hoped to get to a time when the traditions of Borstal would be at least equal to those of Eton or Harrow. For six months last winter twenty lads attended technical classes in Rochester unaccompanied, in ordinary dress, and not one single report of misconduct was made. The head master of the technical school reported that their conduct and industry left nothing to be desired and that they worked harder than any other pupils. This year they hoped to send forty.

SUNDAY GAMES DEFENDED.

A Rochdale delegate expressed great concern over the playing of games on Sunday, and quoted Scripture to show its wickedness. A woman magistrate from Liverpool took him up with spirit amid loud cheers, and the doctor rapidly put his proposition: There were 369 young lads together. He could not send them out for walks in twos and threes. Either they must play games or be shut up. Opportunities for evil in such circumstances were immense. Would their conversation be always decent? In what was done he had the approval of the Bishop, the Dean, and the Chapter of Rochester. (Applause.)

The chief guest at the luncheon given by the Corporation of Blackpool was Lieutenant Colonel Sir Vivian Henderson, M.P., Under Secretary for the Home Office, who said that within the last thirty years we had come to regard crime in a quite different way. (Applause.) Perhaps the most important part of the Children Act of 1908 was the establishment of Children's Courts. He was sorry to say there were still some places where such courts did not exist. There were still some people who regarded them as a kind of unnecessary sentiment, and who thought the only way to impress children was by fear. There might be some with a natural tendency to do wrong, but hundreds and hundreds went wrong simply and solely because they were in the wrong surroundings or suffered through wrong guidance. The Criminal Justice Act of 1925 made the arrangement that areas could combine for the use of a Probation Officer where there was not sufficient work for two. Out of 60 administrative countries 36 had produced combination schemes. It was a matter of great personal regret with him that Lancashire was not one of them.

Sir Robert Armstrong-Jones, who professed himself "very undecided" about the medical aspects of delinquency, said he did not believe that there were people temperamentally inclined to evil. The delinquent was more likely a person who found temptation so great and whose self-control was so diminished that he did wrong.

By the Mental Deficiency Act of 1913 it was the legal duty of an educational authority to notify to the local authority the names, numbers and defects of any children in their care. The local authority was requested to provide accommodation for these defectives, but the request was permissive only and, where schools existed, training ended at the age of 16. Only 17 out of 120 authorities had provided this accommodation. There were 60,000 of these children in the country and only 600 places for them. Apart from these there were eight other methods by which they could be treated. He wanted to suggest that psychological examination should be urged in every case of juvenile delinquency, and every case of crime. It would be cheaper to do so in the long run.

The total number of wills now held by the New Zealand Trust office is 5,881, representing an estimated total sum of £235,000,000.

SEA HISTORY.

SIR J. CAIRD'S PRINCIPLE
GIFT TO NATION.

FURTHER DETAILS.

The rare collection of maritime prints and pictures, running to many thousands of pictures, belonging to Mr. A. G. H. Macpherson, which was in danger at one time of passing out of the country, has been bought by an anonymous donor for the nation. Admiral Sir George Hope made this announcement in London at the annual meeting of the Society for Nautical Research. The collection, he said, would ultimately be placed in the National Naval and Nautical Museum to be established at Queen's House, Greenwich.

"In the Macpherson collection the nation has acquired not only an altogether unique record of its sea history in engravings, books, and atlases, but also a collection of paintings, which range from the early sixteenth to the late nineteenth century and form the most representative collection of sea pictures in existence."

Mr. Macpherson, said Sir George, had accepted the valuation of his collection at £120,000, and had generously agreed to give the British people an opportunity of purchasing it for three-quarters of that amount. The appeal brought to their assistance an experienced man of business, and he arranged on their behalf with Mr. Macpherson a six months' option on the immediate payment of £25,000. The same gentleman paid over the £25,000, and the agreement was signed. There was a very gratifying response to the appeal from all parts, and by the date of the expiration of the option agreement the total available amount, with the original deposit, to nearly £30,000. An anonymous gentleman then came forward with an offer to contribute £10 for every additional £100 raised. The same donor who found the deposit decided to complete the purchase of the whole collection.

Nucleus of Endowment Fund.
The anonymous gentleman who had offered to increase by 10 per cent any further funds forthcoming had generously given £6,000 as the nucleus of an endowment fund, which would enable the trustees of the Museum to make the collection more accessible for the use of students and the public at large. Another gentleman had subscribed £1,000 for the same object.

Now that the collection had been saved for the nation, it was hoped others would add to it by gifts of paintings, prints, and models, or contribute to the endowment fund. It was hoped at an early date to display in central London some part at least of the riches now acquired, where they might be viewed by the public.

Sir George Hope also mentioned that the trustees had received through the kindness of Mr. Baron, a descendant of Captain Cook's sister, eight relics of the great explorer, including a pair of candlesticks and other articles of silver, a snuffbox, a pair of dice boxes and dice, and a set of ivory chessmen. Mr. Baron intended to bequeath to the Museum other relics of Captain Cook, including furniture, china, and plate.

Although it was not disclosed at the meeting, it is understood that the purchaser of the collection for the nation is Sir James Caird, who had expressed to the society a strong desire to remain anonymous. The present value of the collection is stated to be over £138,000. From the annual report it was inferred that it was Sir James Caird who provided the deposit of £25,000 to secure the option of the purchase.

Sir James, who was one of the baronets in the New-Year Honours, has also contributed £65,000 towards the restoration of H.M.S. "Victory" and £15,000 towards the restoration of the "Immaculate." The report added: "This generous donor has thus, in a short space of time, given 100,000 guineas to enable the people of Great Britain to preserve the monuments of their glorious sea heritage." Since then the King had conferred the honour of a baronetcy on the benefactor, and the Council of the Society tendered to Sir James its "grateful thanks." Sir James, who lives at Wimbledon, is a partner in a shipbuilding firm and a director of many companies.

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FOOTBALL.

H.K. AMATEUR LEAGUE MEETING.

OFFICIALS FOR NEXT YEAR.

[By "Rover."]

The Hong Kong Amateur Football League meeting last Thursday while parting with the old season of 1927-28, really heralded in the new season of 1928-29.

There was very little of interest in the meeting owing principally to the apathy of the various Clubs' representatives, and without Captain Austen, M.C., to suggest more slight alterations to the Rules, and a gentle criticism of the League for its non-fulfilment of the Annual Fixture, "Winners of the League v. the Rest," also a comment on the state of some of the playing grounds of the League teams, the meeting under the able chairmanship of the Rev. Alexander K.O.S.B. Regt., proceeded evenly and quietly to a very satisfactory vote of thanks to the retiring officials and to the Chairman for his services for the evening and as Hon. Auditor of the Accounts of the League.

NAVAL STRENGTH.

I was surprised that several Clubs were not represented. A feature of the meeting was a hint that we may have a strong Naval side competing next year which will be all for the good of the game and sport in general. Of course when it is considered that the Royal Navy expect next year to have a very wide selection from many thousands, it is but to be expected that the local League Clubs must make certain rules and regulations governing the League and Shield Competitions fair to the Local Clubs and the Navy also. Hong Kong is, after all, but a seaport, and the local Clubs have a limited selection of players, who will welcome a strong Naval side as they do a strong Regimental one, but the selection from the whole of the China Fleet is, of course, a very different proposition to a ship's side or a Regimental side, and no doubt an arrangement can be agreed to whereby the League can be assisted by a strong Naval side which at the same time shall not consist of the whole of the strength of the Navy on the Station in competition games at least. As regards exhibition games, of course the stronger the better and Hong Kong Football followers will welcome the Royal Navy in its full strength in the Lai Wah Cup competition and similar contests.

Another interesting point raised was the probable abandonment of the "Junior B Division" which proved really of no interest at all last year.

THE SOMERSETS.

The election of officers occasioned no anxiety, despite a request from the Chairman that members already elected on the H.K.F.A. Council be not proposed for the League, Mr. G. T. May, Captain Austen, M.C., Mr. W. Hollands and Mr. H. K. Lee occupy again dual offices on the F.A. and League, but the services of the gentlemen named are regarded as practically indispensable for Hong Kong football, and their wide experience will be of the greatest benefit in what promises to be a very strenuous and eventful season. In addition to these officials mentioned Messrs. F. J. James, J. A. MacLaren and E. Souza will add the benefit of fresh energy and ideas to a good working committee.

On the application of the Queen's Regt. who will unfortunately leave before the end of the season, the Somerset's who are arriving here in January, will continue the Queen's fixtures in the League, and in all probability the Wilshires, the other Regiment coming to Hong Kong will make its debut in competition football in the Hong Kong shield.

INSIDE INFORMATION.

I was favoured with a little inside information of the hopes of the premier local Chinese Club, who last year gallantly struggled on in the League, returning for twenty matches played the meagre total of ten points and the small goal score of only 17, rather less than one goal per match.

South China Athletic Association have been granted Caroline Hill playing ground and an enterprising Committee, real-

V.R.C. NIGHT FETE.

ENJOYABLE SWIMMING SPORTS.

WATER POLO MATCH.

Not too auspicious weather attended the first night fete of the season held by the Victoria Recreation Club in their swimming pool on Saturday.

There was a fair attendance, including a good many ladies, and the function wound up, as before, with dancing to music supplied by the Lyric Orchestra.

Many Servicemen attended to watch the invitation team race and the water polo match.

Swimming events were enjoyable and times were encouraging.

Results.

50 yards handicap for boys under 16; not held as no entry was forthcoming.

100 yards members' handicap, 1st heat: S. V. Gittins (scratch) 1, time 68 seconds and E. Zimmern (rec. 2 secs.) 2, and fastest loser, 2nd heat: L. Roza Pereira (scratch), time 67.2/5 secs. 3rd heat: W. Kerr (scratch) walk-over, time 69 secs.

Final: S. V. Gittins (scratch) 1, time 63.2/5 secs.; L. Roza Pereira (scratch) 2, time 64.2/5 secs.

Open High Dive: Nicholson 1, 82 points; Edward da Roza 2, 80 points; L. Roza Pereira 3, 70 points.

—7 entries.

Ladies' 50 yards handicap: Miss Doris Hunt (rec. 4 secs.) 1, actual time 39.4/5 secs.; Miss M. George (scratch) 2, actual time 39.1/5 secs.—4 entries.

50 yards members' team race: won by D. Lyon's team in 3 mins. 36.3/5 secs.

Invitation team race: The Police won by two lengths from the Army, who (thanks to a fine spurt by Bdr. Norris) just beat the Royal Navy. The Navy led first.

Water Polo: Owing to the departure of some of H.M.'s ships for the North, a United Services team took the place of the Royal Navy team, but lost to the V.R.C. by 11 goals to nil. D. Lyon and D. Luing each scored three and S. V. Gittins two.

HEENEY'S 'SURPRISE'

SECRETLY MARRIED IN NEW YORK.

London, Saturday.

Tom Heenev sprang a surprise by secretly marrying Miss Marion Dunn, daughter of a retired merchant.

The couple suddenly arrived at the house of a justice of the peace at Ladentown, New York, and asked him to perform the ceremony.—Reuter.

ising the shortcomings of the ground during last season when it was literally a main thoroughfare with hard ground and no grass, have started, regardless of expense, returning the whole of the playing area. The erection of stands similar to those at the Club Ground, Happy Valley, is projected, and this great expense which the S.C.A.A. feel is justified, should result in a beautiful playing pitch well under control, and a great asset to the H.K.F.A. and S.C.A.A. in future years.

The football section of the S.C.A.A. realise that the crowd following the star players, and with this in view they are quietly confident that their football management who have already started building up the team for next year, will during the season spring one or two pleasant surprises on the local crowd. The "following" at Caroline Hill last year was a reflection on the play of the team which was very varied, and the Club did not have the time to effect facilities which all football grounds drawing large crowds should be provided with. Following the example of the Senior British Club of the Colony, the Hong Kong A.F.C., South China A.A., if results justify it, and circumstances allow it, intend to provide similar facilities for their supporters and players at Caroline Hill, tennis courts and a running track already being in the scheme of things which a live Committee is hoping to obtain in the near future. These innovations mean considerable expense to the Club, but the Club has a very extensive and enthusiastic membership in all branches of sport, and in their future home at Caroline Hill every scope will be provided for the development of these branches to their fullest extent.

—(Sunday Herald.)

WET WEEK-END.

BOWLS, TENNIS, BASEBALL—POSTPONED.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

All the sports fixtures arranged for Saturday were postponed on account of the inclement weather. This is the fifth Saturday during the summer on which not a single match was played.

The Lawn Bowls season will be prolonged and, instead of ending in early September, will at least extend well into October.

In the senior division, Craighower Cricket Club have run away from the other teams and cannot now be easily caught up. They are the only side to have an undefeated record so far, having gained maximum points in seven matches. Police Recreation Club, their nearest rivals, have dropped six points in eight matches. Civil Service Cricket Club, at the bottom of the League table, will only be able to stave off relegation next year provided they win all their remaining four matches and either Kowloon Bowling Green Club or Kowloon Cricket Club fail to secure a single point from the matches they have still to play.

Civil Service juniors stand the best chance of topping the second division. Two points ahead of Kowloon Bowling Green Club, with a match in hand, the leaders may have to reckon seriously with Tai-koo Recreation Club as the latter have dropped only 4 points to the leaders' 3. Club de Recreo "A" are expected to do well also.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Craighower C.C.	7	7	0	0	14
Police R.C.	8	5	0	3	10
Kowloon Dock R.C.	8	4	1	3	9
Tai-koo R.C.	7	4	0	3	8
Kowloon C.C.	7	3	1	3	7
Kowloon B.G.C.	8	3	0	5	6
Civil Service C.C.	9	0	0	9	0

Shots For and Against.

	For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Craighower C.C.	440	364	76	0
Tai-koo R.C.	431	399	32	0
Kowloon B.G.C.	487	477	10	0
Kowloon D.R.C.	448	478	2	0
Police R.C.	448	461	0	13
Kowloon C.C.	389	421	0	32
Civil Service C.C.	474	549	0	75

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Civil Service C.C.	8	6	1	1	13
Kowloon B.G.C.	9	5	1	3	11
Recreo "A"	8	5	0	3	10
Tai-koo R.C.	6	4	0	2	8
East Point R.C.	9	4	0	5	8
Craighower C.C.	9	4	0	5	8
Recreo "B"	7	3	1	3	7
Kowloon C.C.	7	1	1	5	3
Yacht Club	7	1	0	6	2

Shots For and Against.

	For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Recreo "A"	514	341	173	0
Civil Service C.C.	513	393	120	0
Kowloon B.G.C.	584	471	113	0
Tai-koo R.C.	364	345	19	0
Recreo "B"	406	392	14	0
Yacht Club	273	367	0	94
Kowloon C.C.	364	465	0	102
Craighower C.C.	453	560	0	107
East Point R.C.	465	601	0	136

TENNIS LEAGUE.

Tennis fixtures down for decision on Saturday were confined to the "C" division of the league.

The championship in the "A" and "B" sections have been won by the Chinese Recreation Club (holders in all three divisions) and the same club are expected to take first place in "C" division. The two teams they have competing in this division have, to date, beaten all comers in the ten matches in which they have been engaged. It is not likely that any other side will be able seriously to extend the Chinese R.C. I. or the Chinese R.C. II. so that the championship will probably be decided when they meet each other.

The positions in the League to date are:—

"A" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Chinese R.C.	6	6	0	12
Hong Kong C.C.	6	4	2	8
M.B.K.	6	4	2	8
Indian R.C.	6	2	4	4
Kowloon C.C.	6	2	4	4
Craighower C.C.	5	1	4	2
University	5	1	4	2

"B" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Chinese R.C.	10	10	0	20
South China A.A.	9	8	1	16
Hong Kong C.C.	10	8	2	16
Recreo	9	6	3	12
Nippon Club	8	4	4	8
Indian R.C.	10	4	6	8
University	8	3	5	6
M.B.K.	8	3	5	6
Craighower C.C.	10	2	8	4
Royal Engineers	9	2	7	4
Kowloon C.C.	7	0	7	0

"C" Division.

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Chinese R.C. II.	10	10	0	20
Chinese R.C. I.	10	10	0	20
Recreo II.	10	9	1	18
South China A.A.	7	6	1	12
Kowloon C.C.	9	6	3	12
Hong Kong C.C.	9	6	3	12
Civil Service C.C.	9	6	3	12
Recreo I.	11	5	6	10
A.A.O.C.	10	4	6	8
Kennedy-rd. M.Q.	11	4	7	8
R.A.M.C.	10	3	7	6
Nippon	8	2	6	4
Y.M.C.A.	10	1	9	2
Indian R.C.	11	1	10	2
Kowloon I.T.C.	11	0	11	0

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CRICKET STORIES.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF THE GAME.

UMPIRE'S BAG OF WICKETS.

A north of England club engaged a professional, who came to them with the most glowing testimonials and recommendations. When it came to action, however, the man revealed himself a wretched bat, poor bowler and his fielding was on a par with his work in these departments. The pro, who was required to be on the ground each morning, decided to ask for a day off once a week, and approached the club president with his request. The president glowered at him for a moment or two, and then said:—"Aw right, land, have Saturdays off!"

A D...d Giraffe.

One of the finest catches ever made was that which terminated a fine first-wicket partnership by A. N. Hornby and W. G. Grace, in a Gentlemen v. Players' match at the Oval, in the early '80's. William Gunn, whose height was about six feet three inches, brought off this wonderful catch, from a lofty hit by the old Lancashire captain. As Hornby passed on his way to the pavilion, a friend remarked, "Bad luck, Monkey." "Yes," was the reply—"Only a d—d giraffe could have got near it!"

Blame Larwood.

In a quiet street in the East End of London, a gang of urchins were in the habit of playing cricket up against a lamp-post. One day a heavy motor lorry hit the lamp-post and twisted it severely. That evening, when the youthful cricketers turned up for their game, they were dismayed to see the wrecked post. "By gum," said one of them, "I believe Larwood's been boylin' on our pitch!"

Got the Wickets!

It was the day of the local "Derby," and the secretary of the visiting team went on to the field to have a look at the wicket. Out "in the middle" he found an old man with white whiskers and a stick. The secretary spoke to him. "Well," he said, "we'll have a keen match."

"Ay, ay, sir," replied the aged one, "we've a right good side this year."

"Let's see," said the secretary, "who is getting most of your wickets this season?"

"Why, sir," replied the old man, "I be getting the most."

"You don't mean to say you can bowl at your age!" exclaimed the secretary.

"No, sir," replied Methusalem. "I ain't no bowler. I'm the umpire!"

DOG-RACING BILL.

MR. J. BUCHAN'S MEASURE NOW "DEAD."

London, July 18.

Mr. John Buchan's Dog-Racing Bill is "dead."

Mr. Baldwin stated in the House of Commons to-day that in view of the fact that the bill had not yet reached the report stage, he did not see any prospect of finding time for the remaining stages of the measure.

Labour members protested against Government adopting the Totalisator Bill in preference to the Dog-Racing Bill, but Sir Frank Meyer (Conservative) pointed out that only nine supporters of the Bill turned up at the meeting of the Committee to-day, which did not show that there was great keenness for the Bill.

[Note: An earlier message stated that the House of Commons, by 222 votes to 18, passed the second reading of Mr. John Buchan's Dog-Racing Bill. Mr. Buchan foreshadowed amendments to the Bill, allowing an appeal to Government against refusal of a licence and allowing existing dog-racing tracks generous time to obtain a licence. Mr. J. H. Thomas, supporting the Bill, mentioned, as an example of the evils of dog-racing, that in one district three-and-a-half acres were devoted to dog-racing tracks. He had heard of chewing-gum being put in dogs' paws, and that they were given sponge cakes before running. Sir William Joynson-Hicks said he had received over 1,000 resolutions from local authorities and religious bodies in favour of the Bill. He was of opinion, however, that the evils of dog-racing were not so great as had been suggested. There was no doubt a great deal of betting, but very little juvenile, betting, and dog-racing crowds were very orderly and sober.]

BASEBALL.

Saturday's league baseball fixtures and that of yesterday between the American warships were not played.

There is down for to-day, however, an exhibition match between South China "A" "Dragons" (championship holders) and an All-Hong Kong team, timed to start at Happy Valley at 4 p.m., weather and ground permitting.

THE "BIG" LEAGUES.

RESULTS OF U.S. BASEBALL MATCHES.

"NATIONAL" & "AMERICAN."

New York, Saturday. "Big" league baseball matches played during the week resulted as follows, home teams being mentioned first:—

National League.

Saturday, July 28:
New York 3, Chicago 2.
Brooklyn 3, Cincinnati 7.
Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 7.
Philadelphia 2, St. Louis 12.

Sunday, July 29:

New York 4, Chicago 3.
New York 1, Chicago 3.
Brooklyn 5, Cincinnati 6.

Monday, July 30:

New York 4, Chicago 1.
Brooklyn 2, Cincinnati 1.
Boston 1, Pittsburgh 2.
Boston 5, Pittsburgh 6.
Philadelphia 8, St. Louis 7.

Tuesday, July 31:

New York 8, Chicago 7.
New York 4, Chicago 10.
Brooklyn 3, Cincinnati 2.
Boston 11, Pittsburgh 5.
Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 18.
Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 18.

Thursday, Aug. 2:

New York 7, Cincinnati 5.
Brooklyn 2, Chicago 3.
Boston 1, St. Louis 6.
Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 18.

Friday, Aug. 3:

New York 7, Cincinnati 5.
Brooklyn 5, Chicago 8.
Boston 1, St. Louis 5.
Philadelphia 6, Pittsburgh 14.

American League.

Saturday, July 28:
Cleveland 2, New York 6.
Cleveland 9, New York 4.
Chicago 5, Washington 4.
Chicago 2, Washington 8.
Detroit 7, Boston 1.
Detroit 8, Boston 7.

Sunday, July 29:

Cleveland 24, New York 6.
Detroit 2, Boston 6.
Chicago 3, Washington 8.
Chicago 5, Washington 1.
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 8.
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 13.

Monday, July 30:

Cleveland 4, New York 2.
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 5.
Detroit 2, Boston 1.
Chicago 6, Washington 0.

Tuesday, July 31:

Cleveland 9, New York 12.
Chicago 7, Washington 10.
Detroit 7, Boston 2.
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 8.

Wednesday, Aug. 1:

St. Louis 1, New York 12.
Cleveland 4, Philadelphia 6.
Detroit 10, Washington 6.
Chicago 4, Boston 2.
Chicago 7, Boston 3.

Thursday, Aug. 2:

St. Louis 4, New York 3.
Cleveland 0, Philadelphia 6.
Detroit 6, Washington 4.
Chicago 6, Boston 3.

Friday, Aug. 3:

St. Louis 8, New York 0.
Cleveland 9, Philadelphia 5.
Detroit 3, Washington 9.
Chicago 1, Boston 3.

—Reuter's American Service.

RACE SWEEPS.

SINGAPORE TO "FOLLOW" PENANG.

The Singapore Turf Club have decided to follow the example set by Penang in regard to the race sweeps.

The following circular letter has been issued to members:—"A new system in connection with Sweepstakes held by this Club will be adopted, commencing at the forthcoming Race Meeting in September, 1928.

The issue of Tickets will be abolished and numbers will be allotted to Members instead.

The method of applying for numbers will be exactly similar to the method employed at the last three Race Meetings, except that instead of receiving tickets, an Allotment Letter will be posted to Members, stating thereon the number or numbers allotted to them.

On written application, numbers will be allotted to Members by a Letter of Allotment which will be posted to Members. Applications per club book will not be accepted, but a letter box will be placed outside the Secretary's Office in which applications accompanied by crossed cheques or cash may be lodged. Every application for numbers must state the address of the Member.

Registered covers should be endorsed with the name and address of the Member for purposes of identification.

No numbers will be issued from the Town Office to Members personally or to their messengers but will be despatched by post to Members at the address given in their applications. No application for numbers will be received after 5 p.m. and no numbers will be allotted at the Town Office on Race Days or on the Race Course.

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"ALPHONSE."

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Proceeding, witness said that he received no commission from his club for the ticket sold here. Only his passage and expenses here were paid by the club. Personally the witness had not sold a single ticket here, and certainly not at his residence.

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

By Mr. Fitzroy: The International Country Club, Shanghai, was a proprietary club with a capital of \$35,000 consisting of founders' and ordinary shares. Practically all the founders' shares have been issued to the value of about \$10,000. The ordinary shares were not all issued. They were sold as funds were needed by the Club. The address of the Club is 186, Route de Zikawei which was not in any concession but was under the control of the French authorities. The club are the lessees of three buildings and some 22 mou (over 7 acres) of land. Only the main building was occupied at present. It is used for club entertainment and also contains 10 rooms for residents. The other two buildings were still being fixed up.

All the directors of the club were founders. The directors were Messrs. Moosa, Flameg, Block, Van den Stoken, Ellis, Nesson and witness. The minimum number of shares a director could hold was 50. The witness held 50 shares. The lottery forming subject of the charges against witness was the second run by the club. They had previously run a small one confined only to Shanghai. The present one was distributed at all neighbouring ports. No treasurer of the club had been elected yet, and at present the directors keep the accounts. All the funds of the club are banked with the Chinese-American Bank. Receipts must be signed by three directors. The witness' pay as secretary of the club was \$500 per month.

THE TICKETS.

When the witness came to Hong Kong at the beginning of July he brought with him 1,500 tickets. He had applied for another 5,000 and again for 15,000 but did not receive them. Upon arrival witness went to live at St. Francis Hotel and three days later went to No. 15, Hankow-road. Witness said that he had that day (Saturday) received a cable from Shanghai asking him to return immediately after the case.

The principal reason for witness coming to Hong Kong was that he had a large stock of wine to dispose of, and he came here to look for orders. He also brought sweepstake tickets to give to friends here to sell for him. The finances of the International Country Club were sound, although the club was not making money. They did not expect to make any until all the buildings were ready for occupation.

Mr. d'Almada objected to Mr. Fitzroy's questions about the club, in view of the fact that there had been no allegation by the police that it was a fraudulent club.

Mr. Fitzroy said that he was not suggesting that it was a fraudulent club, he merely wanted to know if, when the sweep was drawn, there would be any money to pay out.

Answering other questions by Mr. Fitzroy, Hund said that the lottery was not organised to raise funds for the club. They took 20 per cent off the total amount collected. Ten per cent would go as commission to sellers of tickets and the rest would go to charities.

Mr. Fitzroy said that he saw no mention of charities on the back of the tickets.

Witness replied that it was well-known that every club supported some charity or other. He added that, of course, not all of the remaining 10% would go to charities as the club would have to deduct expenses. The witness did not not have a discussion with the other directors before he left Shanghai as to the use to which the money would be put. It was the witness' idea to run the sweepstake.

"LITTLE FLUTTER"

Mr. Fitzroy: Oh, it is your own particular little flutter!

Witness replied that it was his own idea, but the lottery was run by the club.

Mr. Fitzroy: The balance of 10% out of commission could go to the benefit of members of the club?—Witness would not agree. He said that no club could exist on the proceeds of running sweepstakes only.

Mr. Lindsell suggested that the lottery was one means of getting funds for the club, and the witness agreed.

Mr. Fitzroy: Thank you, your Worship. I might have thought of putting it that way half an hour ago!

Answering another question by Mr. Fitzroy, the witness said that sellers of tickets were not obliged to turn in money to the club until November.

Mr. Fitzroy: Is it not an unusual thing for the secretary of a club to leave it and go to another port?

Mr. Lindsell: That is open to argument, Mr. Fitzroy.

ONLY THAT DAY.

In his final address for the defence, Mr. d'Almada repeated his submission that the C.S.P.'s regulations did not in any way override the Ordinance. Arguing further on the effect of the regulations which had not yet been published, Counsel went so far as to suggest that even if those regulations had been incorporated in a new Ordinance instead of General Order, they could not immediately apply until a reasonable time had elapsed after their publication, to enable the public to get acquainted with them.

Counsel referred to Halsbury in support of his contention, and remarked that the regulations in question had only come out that very day, after two hearings of the case.

METHOD OF ARREST.

Referring to the gaming house charge, Counsel suggested that no club would be prosecuted as a common gaming house merely for having tickets on the premises. His client, Mr. d'Almada said, was being prosecuted and perhaps about to be convicted for some thing he had done which was not a lot more serious than the action of local institutions, for which act the said institutions were not made to answer. It looked as if the defendant was being made a victim.

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Counsel stressed the point that the defendant was of the opinion, as they all were, that the sale of sweepstake tickets in Hong Kong was not illegal, and he was strengthened in this opinion by his interview with Sub-Inspector Elston when the latter did not inform him to the contrary. The fact that the defendant had voluntarily mentioned the tickets to the police officer showed the genuineness of his position.

Concluding, Mr. d'Almada said that defendant had made a straightforward statement in the witness box, and he suggested that the Magistrate should discharge him. If, however, his Worship decided to convict, then counsel asked that his Worship take into consideration the method of his arrest following his interview with Sub-Inspector Elston and impose a nominal penalty.

ERROR OF JUDGMENT.
Mr. Lindsell then made the remark quoted above with regard to the gaming house charge, and on Mr. Fitzroy agreeing that it was rather stretching the point, his Worship discharged Hund on that count.

With regard to the other charge, Mr. Fitzroy submitted that defendant must be taken to know the law. Ignorance was no excuse in law. Besides, defendant had admitted that he had had the tickets in his possession both at the St. Francis Hotel and No. 15, Hankow-road before distributing them for sale at various places.

Then the Magistrate discovered that the date of possession was fixed at July 25, and as it had not been proved in evidence that the defendant was in actual possession of tickets on that date, suggested to Mr. Fitzroy that the charge was bad.

Mr. Fitzroy said that it depended on whether or not it was possible to construe possession by the lady at the Elite Store as possession by defendant.

The Magistrate replied that for all he knew the lady might have taken up all the tickets in her possession.

After consideration of the charge, the Magistrate remarked to Mr. Fitzroy that he did not see how it could be amended and therefore defendant must be discharged.

Addressing Mr. d'Almada, his Worship said that he agreed with Counsel that in view of the fact that at defendant's interview with Sub-Inspector Elston, when he was not told that what he was doing was unlawful, it was an error of judgment in arresting the defendant in the way he was arrested. A summons would have sufficed.

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

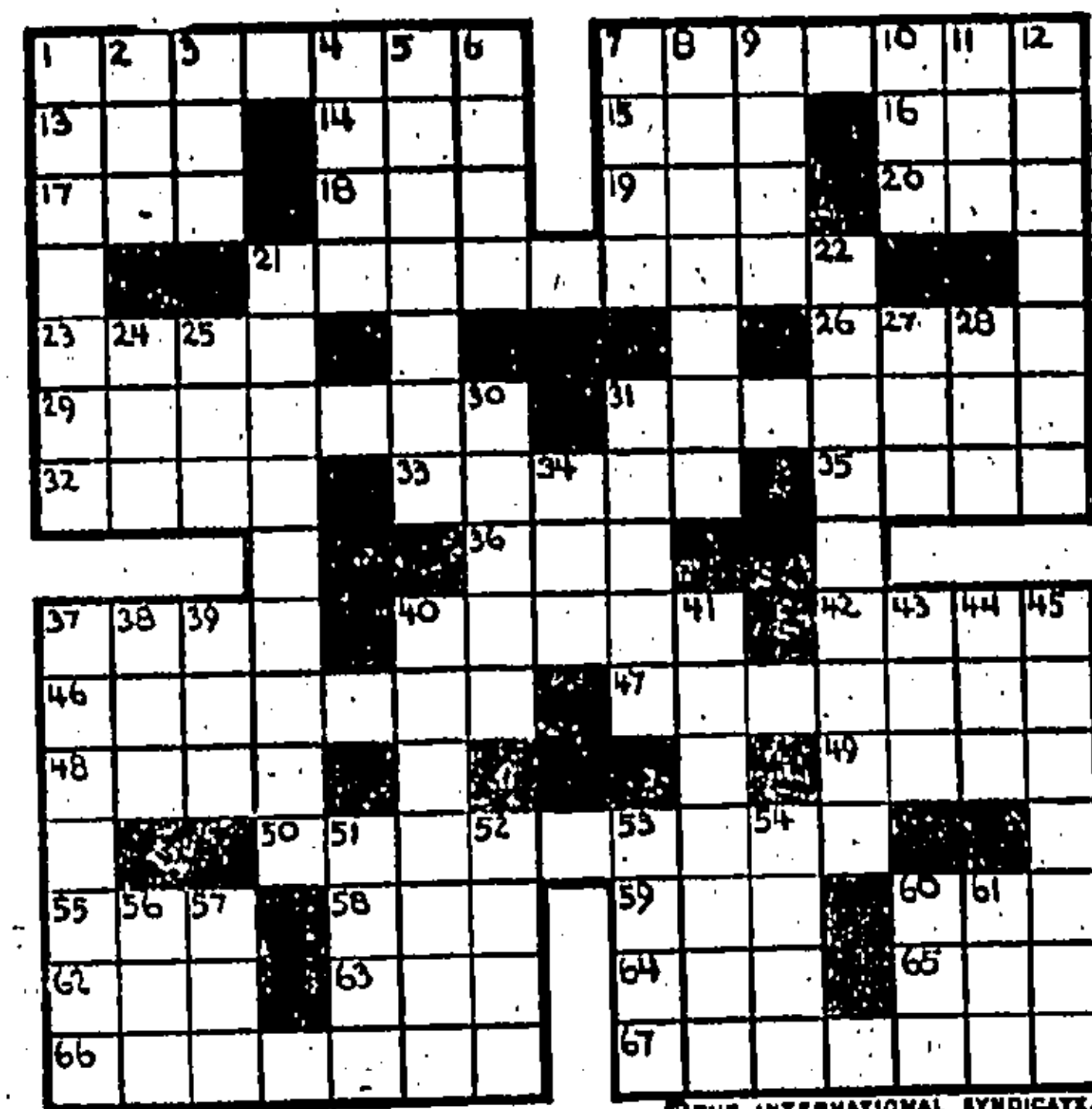
Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong during August, 1928, standard time for the 120th meridian, East of Greenwich, is as follows:—

August	Sunrise	Sunset
6	5.57	7.01
7	5.57	7.01
8	5.57	7.00
9	5.58	7.00
10	5.58	6.59
11	5.58	6.58
12	5.59	6.57
13	5.59	6.56
14	5.59	6.55
15	5.59	6.55
16	6.01	6.54
17	6.01	6.53
18	6.02	6.53
19	6.02	6.52
20	6.02	6.51
21	6.02	6.50
22	6.03	6.49
23	6.03	6.49
24	6.03	6.48
25	6.03	6.47
26	6.04	6.46
27	6.04	6.45
28	6.04	6.44
29	6.04	6.43
30	6.05	6.42
31	6.05	6.41

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Saved
- 7-Helps
- 13-Formerly
- 14-Voice of a dove
- 15-Insect
- 16-Night bird
- 17-Dread
- 18-Alcoholic beverage
- 19-First woman
- 20-Card game
- 21-Much agitated
- 23-In the distance
- 26-A flower
- 28-A recurrence
- 31-Renters
- 32-Paradise
- 33-Abhorred
- 35-Became acquainted with
- 36-Drink slowly
- 37-Purvey
- 40-Man's name (poss.)
- 42-Learning
- 46-Made
- 47-Moral
- 48-Sleep
- 49-Nominate

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 50-Vying with
- 55-Light tap
- 58-Consumed
- 59-Confusion
- 60-Mineral spring
- 62-Period
- 63-Steep; soak
- 64-A color
- 65-Box of tools
- 66-Prolonged tirades
- 67-Hermits

VERTICAL

- 22-Trailing under foot
- 24-Nourished
- 25-A liquor
- 27-A number
- 28-Feminine of Saint (abbr.)
- 30-Comforted
- 31-Indian hut
- 34-A metal
- 37-Difficulties
- 38-Before
- 39-French for "the"
- 40-Danied
- 41-One who strides
- 43-S. American plant
- 44-Baster
- 45-Raise
- 51-Equine quadruped
- 52-Allows
- 53-A weed
- 54-A knob or knot
- 56-Part of a circle
- 57-Black liquid
- 60-Kind of snowshoe
- 61-Deep hole

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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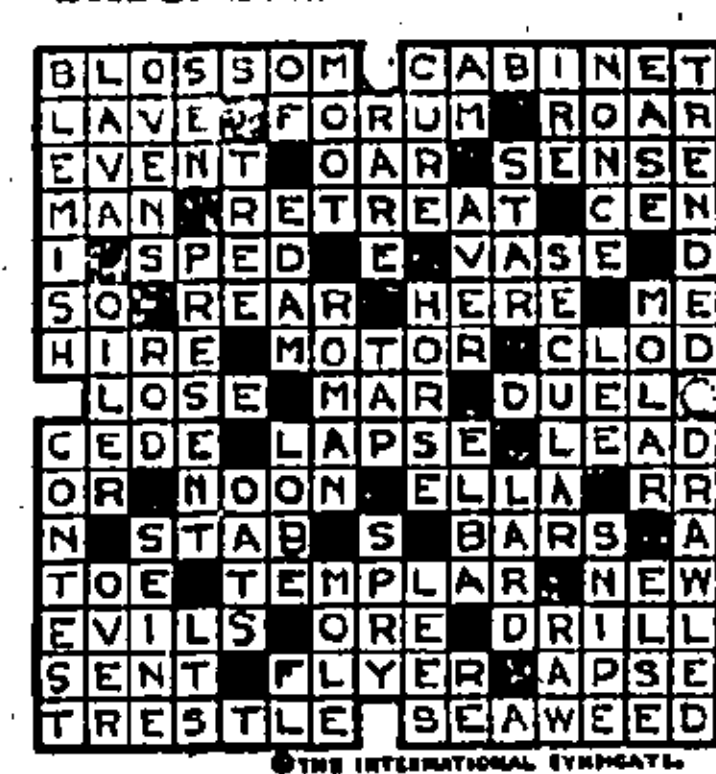
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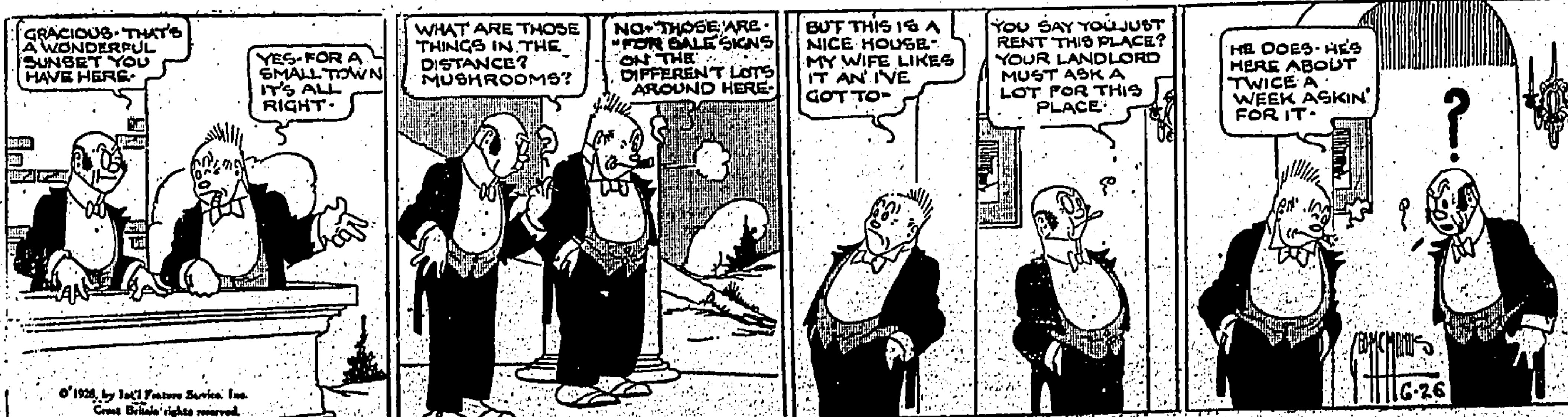
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IN PEEL-STREET.

CHARGE OF HARBOURING GIRL.

UNCLE'S INTEREST.

Major C. Willson, O.B.E., had before him at the Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, a Chinese woman named Lam Luk charged on three counts of harbouring and procuring a girl and using her floor in a Peel-street house for an immoral purpose.

At the outset Mr. Hin-shing Lo, counsel instructed for the defence, applied to the Magistrate to allow the defendant to take a seat. This was agreed to.

After further evidence was given by the girl, Chan Chung-lin, the uncle of the girl was called.

Witness, cross-examined by Mr. Lo, said that last month, the girl, his niece, disappeared and he was informed by his nephew, the brother of the girl, of the matter and was also told to look out for her. On Thursday last the girl was seen going up to No. 12, Peel-street, 2nd floor. On the following night, a woman decoy was sent to that floor and the girl was seen coming down to the street with another person, whom he did not know.

Hid in a Store.

In the meantime, witness was hiding himself at a hawker's store. He had the girl arrested when she came near to him while the other woman, who was following her, disappeared.

Mr. Lo: You seem to have taken a great deal of interest in your sister's family, have you not?—No, I seldom paid her a visit since her removal to Shamshulpo.

Do you know whether your sister has been living on good terms with your brother-in-law?—For all I know they are all right.

Do you know that since her removal, your sister has had no money to support her family and that her daughter has been earning money for her?—This I don't know, but my brother-in-law always took money back to his family, every month.

Case Adjourned.

Have you ever known that your niece went with a man named Cheuk to the Asia Hotel?—No.

Do you know your niece had made love with a man surnamed Cheung?—No.

I put it to you that before the night of the girl's arrest, you arranged with some one to put her in Po Leung Kuk?—No, I did not receive advice from anyone.

When you were living in No. 10, Peel-street, ground floor, did you know anything about the tenants of No. 12 of the same street?—I knew that was a "sly brothel" before.

Do you think the present tenant of that house keeps a "sly brothel"?—I cannot say.

The case was adjourned until Saturday next at 11 a.m., his Worship fixing bail at \$300.

SIGHT-SEEING.

WHAT DO PEOPLE WANT ON HOLIDAY?

STUDY AT BERLIN.

Berlin, June 21.

A course of study in "tourist psychology" has been inaugurated at the Commercial High School of Berlin. What is it that the Englishman and Englishwoman hope to find when they travel abroad? What is it that pleases, and what that annoys? Is it possible for Berlin, newly discovered as the centre of fashion and smart fashions, to rival Paris as a purchasing centre for expensive model dresses? How is it that many would-be travellers to Continental art galleries do not know that Berlin possesses no fewer than thirty-two double stars in Baedeker? "Systematically and scientifically," the whole art of attracting holiday-makers from abroad is to be studied in Berlin, and the students consist not only of young men and women interested in political economy and the statistics of traffic, but of stout aldermen and managers of various civic departments. German thoroughness intends to discover the exact attraction that brings people in to spend money, the "Observer" learns from a correspondent.

Food and Drink.

As, after all, it is the American days—although all those nearer tourist who is expected to bring the golden harvest in these post-war home are wanted just as badly and welcomed just as heartily—it is to American suggestions that the Berlin authorities have lent a most willing ear. Unhappily, some special sausages and sauerkraut offered by a Munich hotel as supplement to the customary German breakfast of rolls and coffee proved such a success in certain German-American quarters that the Mayor of Berlin suggests as his contribution to the tourist question the proposal to specialize in local delicacies. This somewhat contravenes the accepted slogan of a "home from home," and one cannot well imagine the Englishman as really pleased with the peas-pudding, sauerkraut, and boiled, salted or smoked leg-or pork which Berlin loves. Nor do the tourists take very readily to the hot Frankfurt sausages (with or without potato salad) which are a really national dish, and may be eaten, held between two fingers, in a railway station or between the acts of an opera.

It was another American, no less a personage than the Mayor of New York, who found in the Berlin national drink, "weiss-bier," or white-beer, the most satisfactory nearly-dry liquid he had come across on the Continent. It is an excellent thirst-quencher. The tourist course suggests drinking weiss-bier with a drop of raspberry syrup. "Weiss-bier" is as innocuous as ginger-beer, but contains about five times as much gas, and is drunk for that reason in a very large thick champagne glass which holds the half-pint comfortably.

WASHED OUT.

Owing to the rain the al fresco Band Concert and Dance arranged to be held at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday night, was postponed. The concert will take place next Saturday evening.

pagne glass which holds the half-pint comfortably.

The Quest of Tea.

Perhaps it is because Americans are not tea-drinkers that no thought of arranging for pots of drinkable tea at moderate prices in the Berlin cafes has yet struck the authorities. Nor, for the matter of that, is fresh water placed upon restaurant tables without being asked for. The dislike of the Englishman to be forced to order indifferent champagne when all he wants to do is to watch the dancing has led to a modification of the rule of the time when many foreign commissions were in Berlin.

There is no city in Europe where getting about is cheaper and easier, either by the twopenny halfpenny standardized fare all the way on a journey lasting an hour and more, or the wonderfully cheap taxi. One would like to suggest that all that is really wanted is a popularization of the excellent German third-class sleeper, of good inclusive pension terms for parties, and of the introduction of an eighteenpenny tea and a sixpenny ice.

AT REPULSE BAY.

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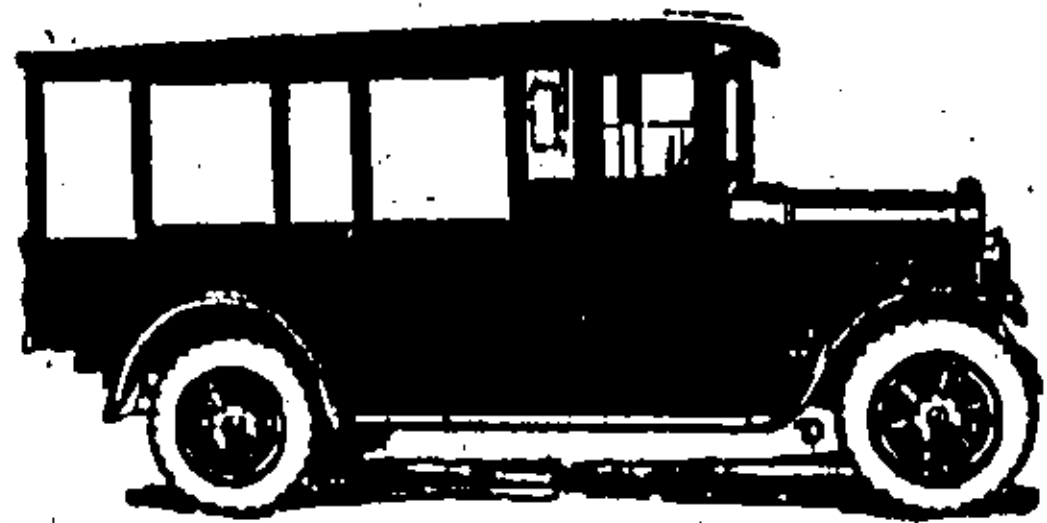
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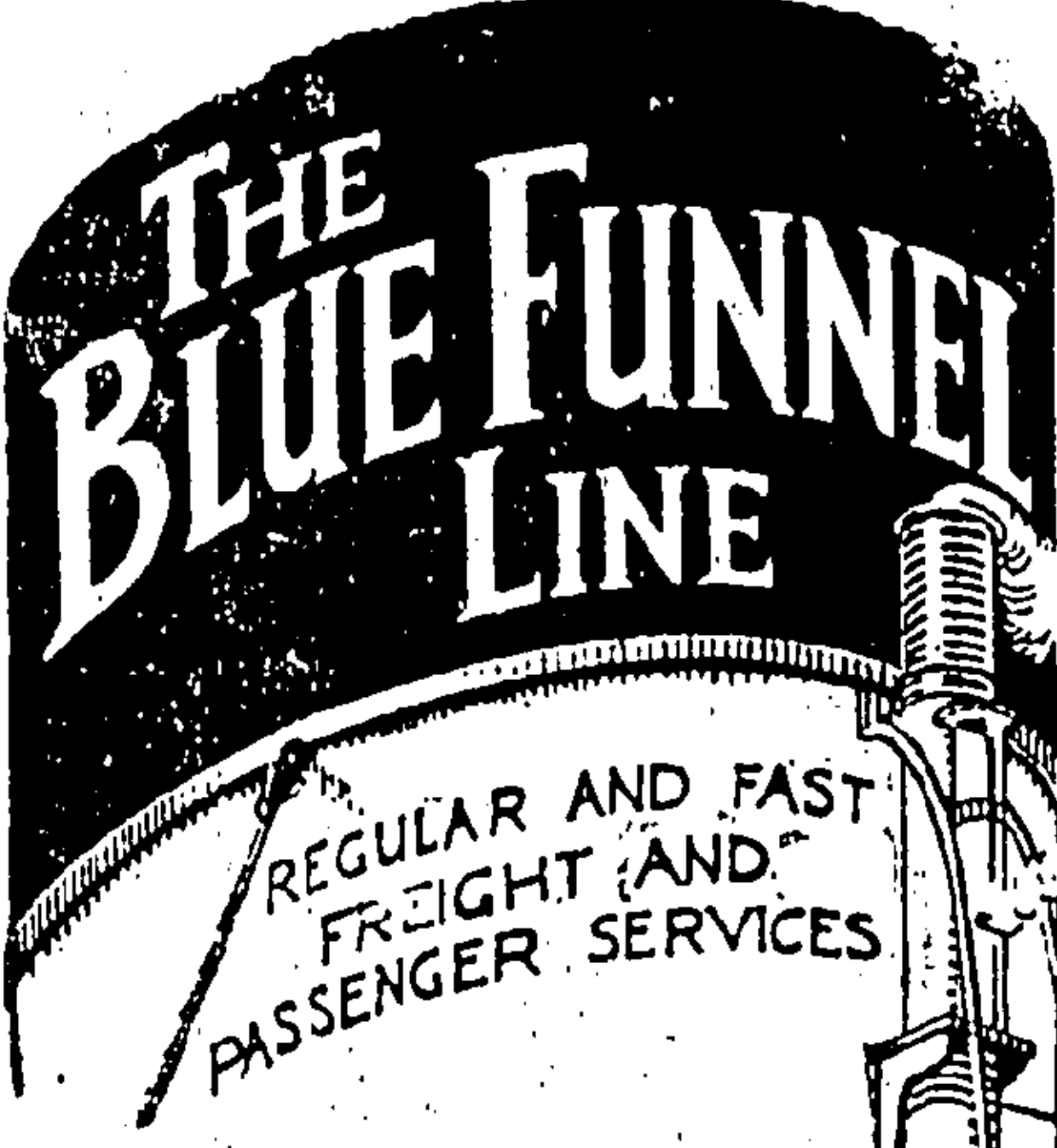
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FRENCH "REDS" GET OUT OF HAND.

WHOLESALE HAUL.

250 ARRESTS FOLLOW DEMONSTRATION.

NEAR PARIS.

Paris, Yesterday.—250 persons were arrested in the course of rioting and as a sequel to a communist demonstration before the Town Hall in the working-class suburb of Ivry. Deputy-Mayor a "Leading Rioler." Later. The Communists assembled at Ivry despite the Governmental ban. The arrested include the Deputy-Mayor of Ivry, who was one of the leading rioters.—Reuter.

CAUSE OF CANCER.

"FERMENT PRODUCED IN THE BODY."

NOT DUE TO A VIRUS?

London, July 18.—A startling new theory of the cause of cancer was explained by Dr. James Murphy of New York at the International Cancer Conference, which is being held in London under the auspices of the British Empire Cancer Campaign. After 16 years' research, Dr. Murphy is convinced that cancer is not caused by a virus, but by a ferment produced within the body. This theory counters that of Dr. Gye and Mr. Barnard, who three years ago announced the discovery of a living virus. [Note: The researches of Dr. Gye and Mr. Barnard, which are still in progress, have already led them to the conviction that cancer, using the term in its widest sense, is a specific disease caused by a virus or group of viruses. Under experimental conditions, they claim, the virus alone is ineffective; a second specific factor obtained from tumour extracts ruptures the cell defences and enables the virus to infect. Under natural conditions the continued irritation of tissues sets up a state under which infection can occur.]

COURTNEY'S RESCUE

"PLANE 'DRIFTING ON A GENTLE SWELL'."

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New York, Saturday.—The captain of the "Minnewaska" has wirelessed a laconic account of the rescue of Courtney. He raced to the spot in response to an S.O.S. and searched fruitlessly for hours. He calculated the plane drifted eastward owing to the Gulf Stream west wind and eventually found the plane riding easily on a gentle swell in ideal weather.

The engine room was burnt out and wireless battery exhausted. He shipped the tired but cheerful survivors and Courtney consented to the abandonment of his flyingboat.

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THE "NUMANCIA."

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MONTH'S REPAIRS.

Madrid, Saturday.—Repairs to the "Numancia" will take a month. The flight will probably be postponed indefinitely.—Reuter.

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London, July 18.—Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd.'s profits for 1927 totalled £430,471, compared with £198,949 in 1926. An interim dividend of 10 per cent. on ordinary shares will be paid on August 18.

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AFTER 15 YEARS' LITIGATION.

A COMPROMISE.

END OF MAHARAJA PRASAD SINGH'S LONG APPEAL.

THE TERMS.

London, July 23.—The protracted litigation in connection with Maharaja Prasad Singh's appeal has been terminated, a compromise have been reached between the parties.

The terms of the compromise have not been fully disclosed. It was announced in Court to-day that the compromise would be incorporated in an Order-in-Council. The compromise provides for the dismissal of the appeal, without costs.

Lord Shaw, addressing the Bar, congratulated the parties on their wise action in arriving at a compromise.

His Lordship said that their Lordships had been impressed by all the lower Courts judgments in the case. The lower Courts' pronouncements were most illuminating and most carefully phrased.

Costs Total £25,000. It is stated that the terms on which Maharaja Prasad Singh has withdrawn his appeal are:—

(1) The parties are to pay their own costs.

The respondent, Rai Bahadur Harihar. Prasad Singh, will retain his Burma properties and will convey to the Maharaja the Mokurari properties, which he or his father may have derived from the Durnoon Raj.

The case has lasted 15 years and the costs amount to £25,000.

Twenty counsel were engaged for four weeks in the hearing of the case by the Privy Council.

One of the leaders had his brief endorsed for 3,000 guineas with a refresher of 100 guineas a day.

U.S.'s HEAT WAVE.

"BLISTERING" FROM NEW YORK TO CHICAGO.

New York, Saturday.—The country from New York westward to Chicago is suffering from a blistering heat wave.

Several deaths have happened in New York while reports of people collapsing in the streets have been received at police headquarters on an average of one every five minutes.

The heat has apparently affected the temper of dogs as nine persons in the city have been dog bitten, while one was bitten by a monkey. Two children and a man were drowned on jumping into water to seek relief from the heat.—Reuter's American Service.

SHARP 'QUAKES.

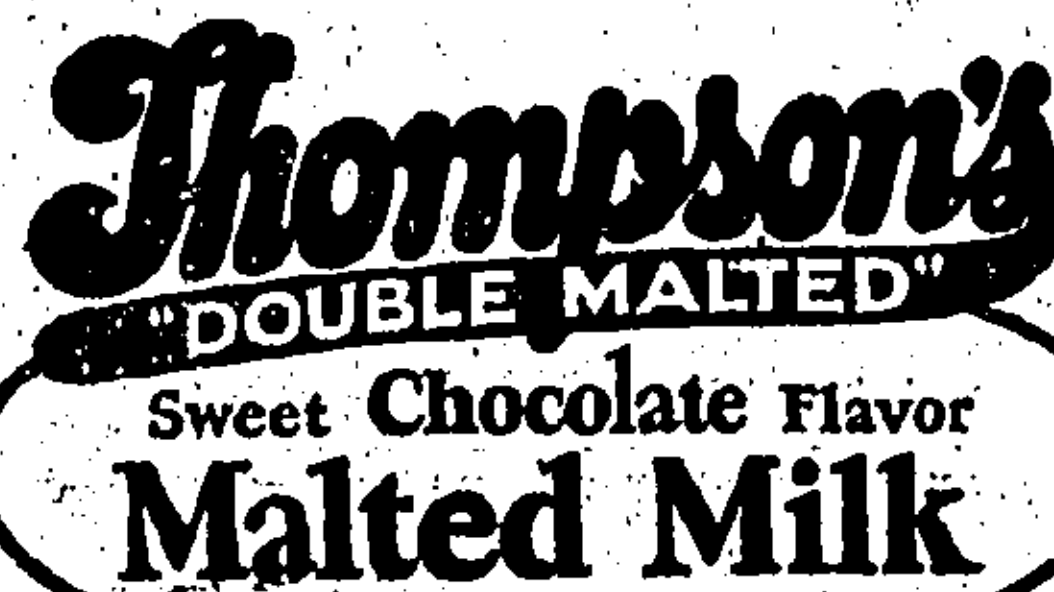
TWO EXPERIENCED AT MANILA.

NO DAMAGE.

Manila, To-day.—Two sharp quakes occurred yesterday evening. No damage is reported in Manila but apprehension is felt on account of a possible connection with the eruption at Mayon, 200 miles south-east of Manila.—Reuter.

New Zealand's four university colleges intend to make a joint application to the Carnegie Endowment Fund for \$22,000 for library purposes.

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FORCED DOWN.

RESCUE BY GERMAN STEAMER.

MACHINE DESTROYED.

Warsaw, Yesterday.—A telegram from Hamburg states that Major Kubala and Major Idzikowski were forced down in Mid-Atlantic on the 4th inst.

The biplane was destroyed. The airmen were rescued by the German steamer "Samos."

Later.

Further Details.

From further details now available it appears that the plane came down 60 miles off Cape Finisterre, not in Mid-Atlantic.

Lisbon, Yesterday.—Reports state that the airmen were forced down owing to a fault in the petrol feedpipe.

The plane struck the sea with considerable force, smashing the wings.

The "Samos" took the plane in tow to Lixoes near Oporto.

One of the airmen injured his arm by fall while abroad the "Samos," and is in hospital; but both aviators expect to go to Paris on the 6th inst.—Reuter.

POLICE COMEDY.

PASSENGER MISTAKEN FOR PRISONER.

ONE-ARMED MAN'S ESCAPE.

Madras, July 18.—While a prisoner was being taken from the Trichinopoly gao to Kodaikanal, as a witness in a case, he managed to escape during the train journey, the police being lulled into a false sense of security by mistaking a private passenger for the prisoner.

The comedy was not detected till they reached Kodaikanal-road station, where, after finding that the passenger had two arms, whereas the prisoner had only one, they released the former and began searching for the latter.

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NATIVE LANGUAGES.

EDUCATION FOR THE COLONIES.

MR. ORMSBY-GORE'S VIEW.

London, July 18.—Mr. W. G. A. Ormsby-Gore, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, speaking at the League of Empire's Franco-British Educational Congress in London, dwelt on the danger of forcing English education down the throats of natives in the Colonies.

A French delegate said that the question of giving lessons in native languages instead of French in the French schools in West Africa was being considered.

AMUR FLOOD.

MIDDLE RIVER STILL RISING.

Moscow, Saturday.—The level of the middle Amur continues to rise. The flood situation elsewhere is improving.—Reuter.

A number of tin mines in the Straits Settlements, mostly owned by Chinese, are being closed down owing to the impossibility of making a profit at the present price of the metal. This does not apply to dredging propositions.

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